

Kinesin Motor Mechanics: Binding, Stepping, Tracking, Gating, and Limping

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Lecture on a **single** kinesin



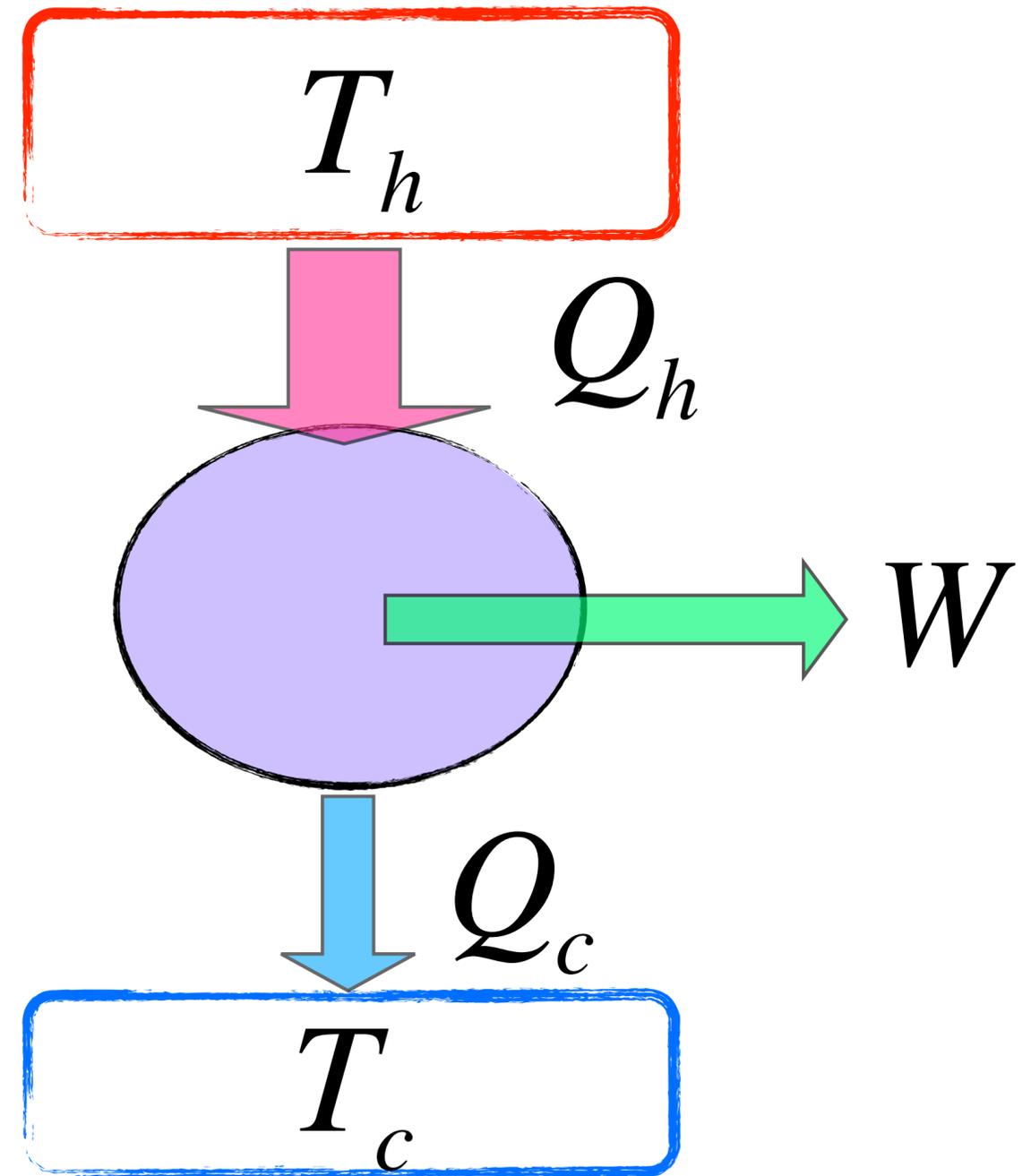
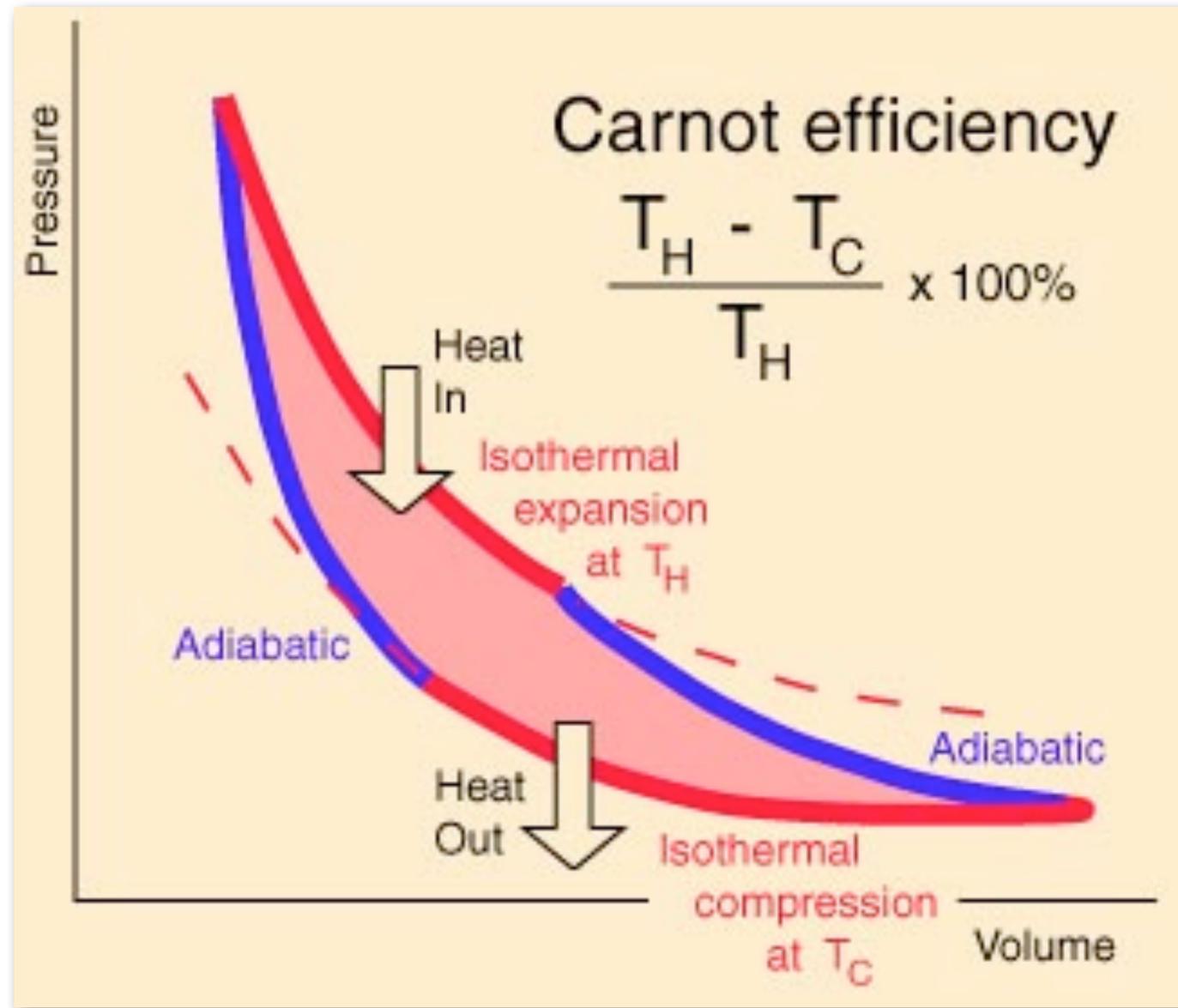
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Outlines

- Basics of motors (macroscopic & microscopic engines)
- Basics of kinesin motors (structure, biochemical cycle, dynamics)
- Answering the questions addressed by S. M. Block

Macroscopic engines

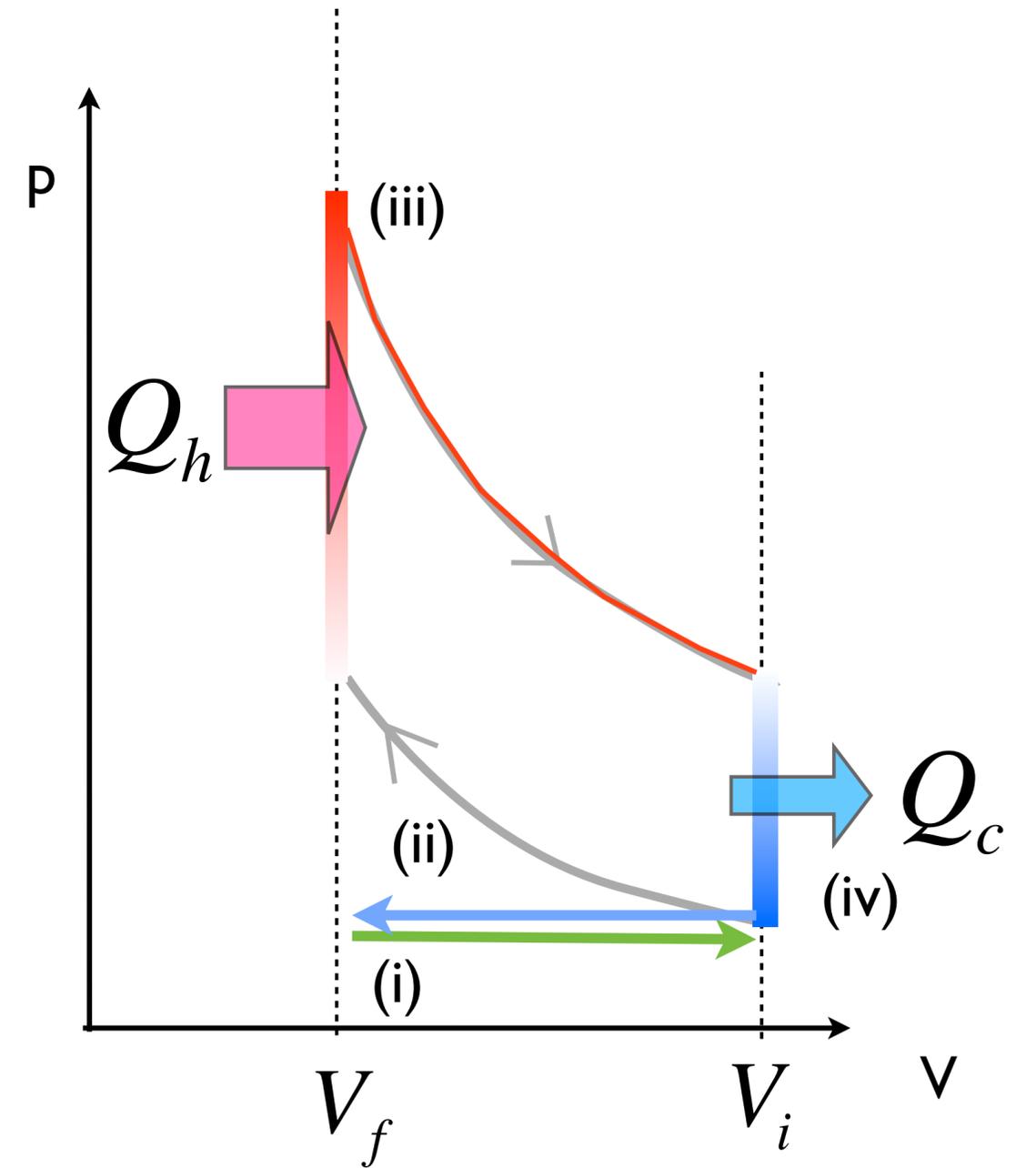
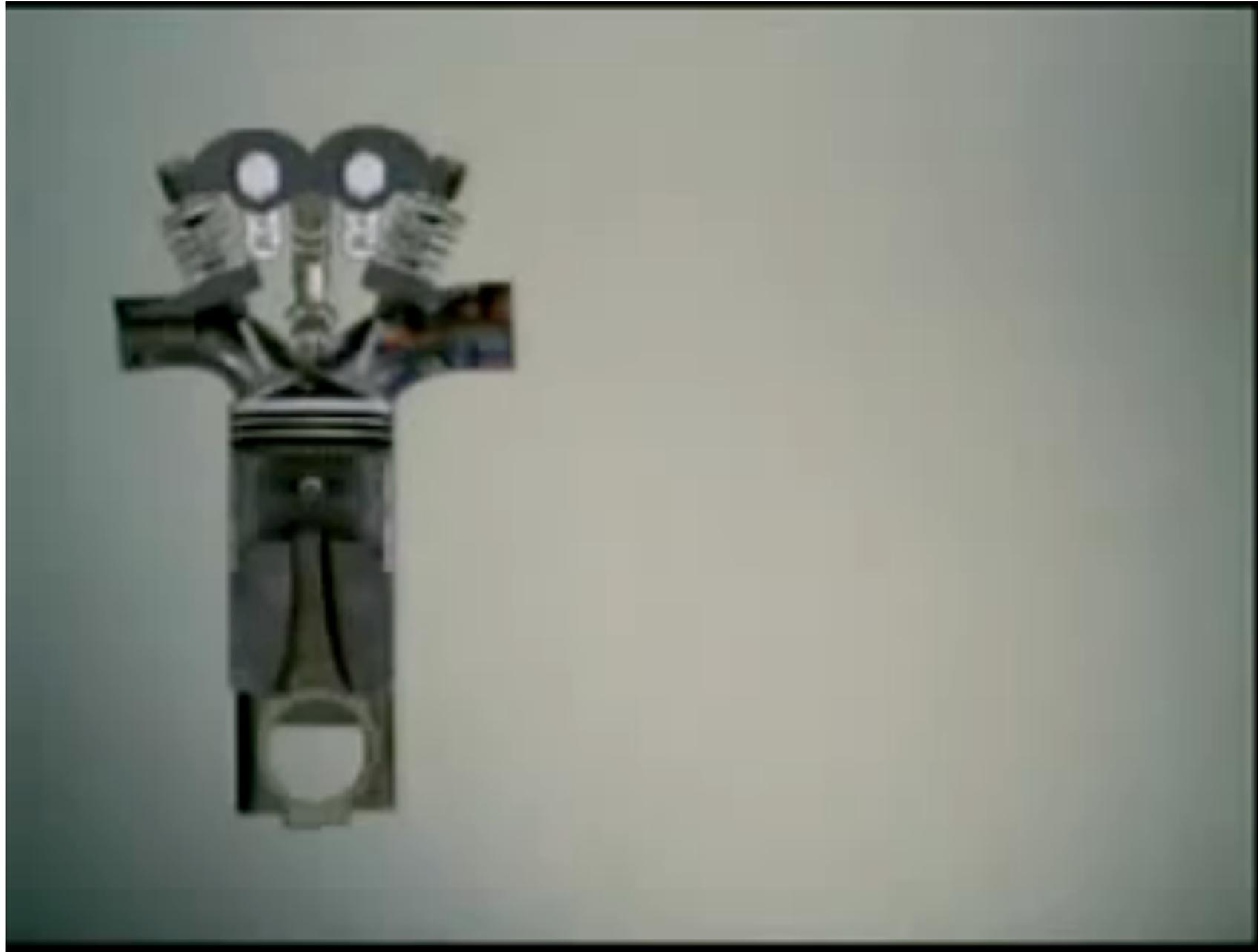
Macroscopic heat engine (Ideal engine)



$$-W \leq -W_{\max} = Q_h - Q_c$$

$$\varepsilon < \varepsilon_{\max} = \frac{-W_{\max}}{Q_h} = \frac{Q_h - Q_c}{Q_h} = 1 - \frac{T_c}{T_h}$$

Real engine (four stroke engine)



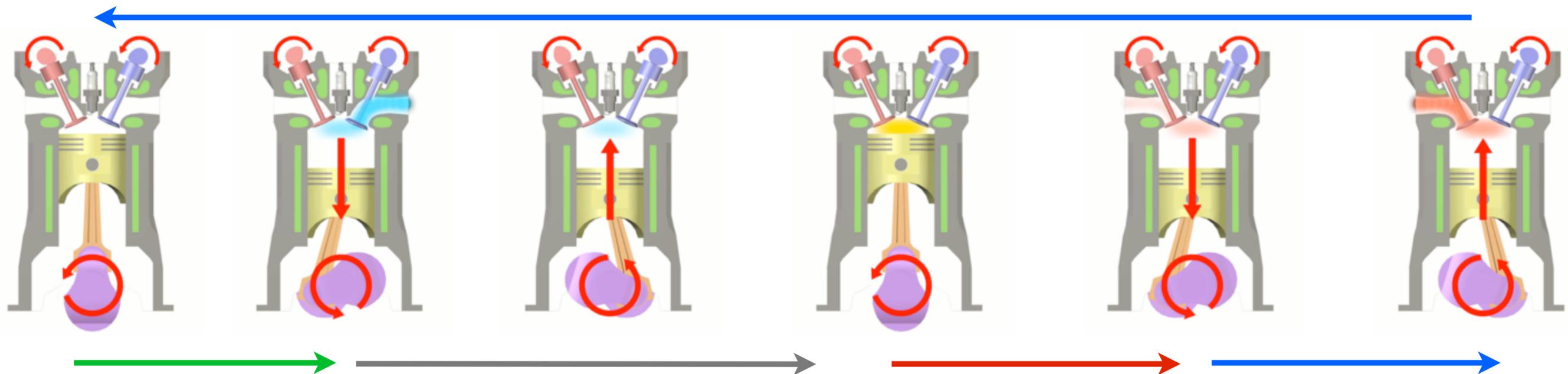
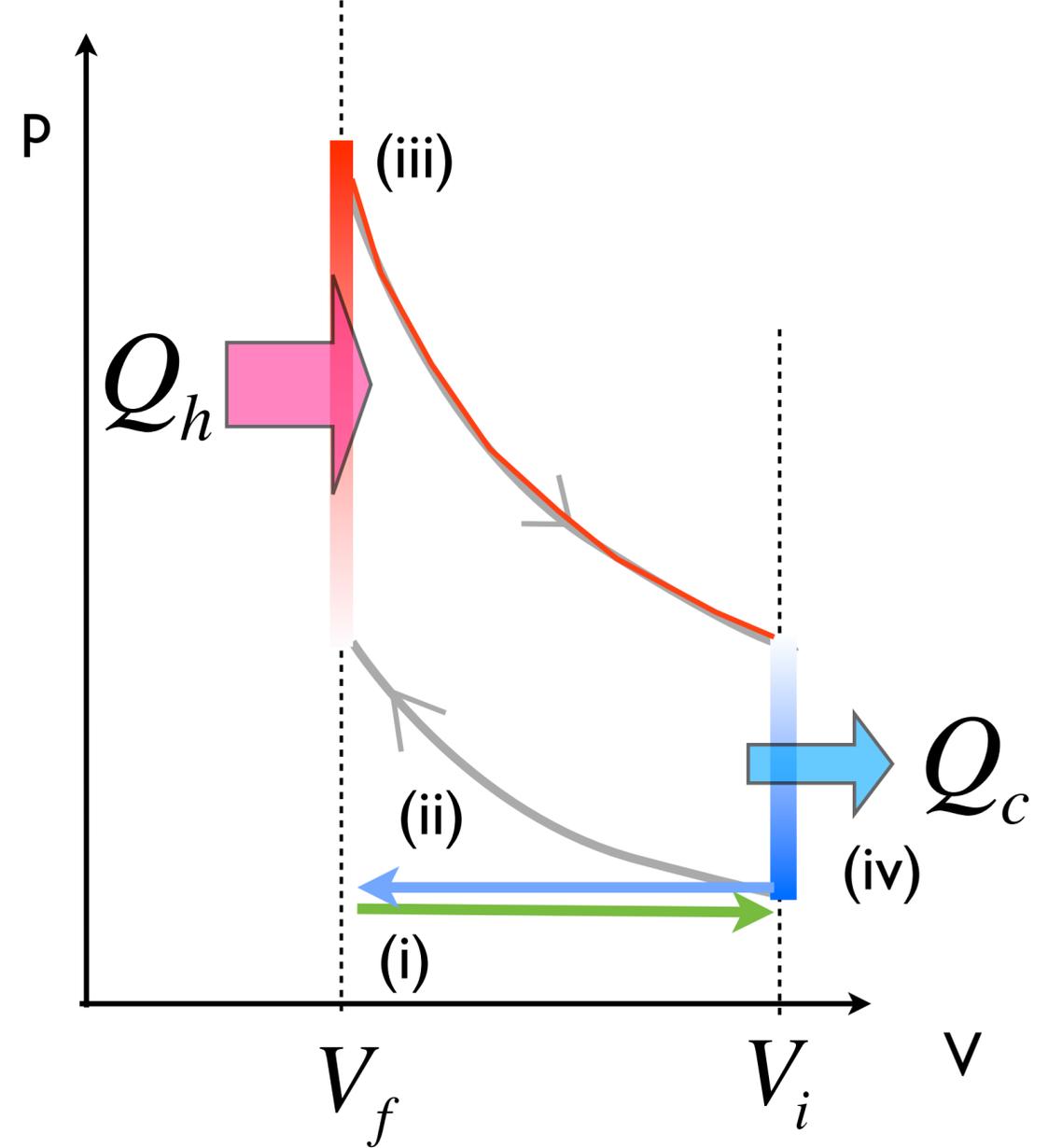
Real engine (four stroke engine)

(i) intake stroke performed by an isobaric expansion

(ii) compression stroke performed by an adiabatic compression

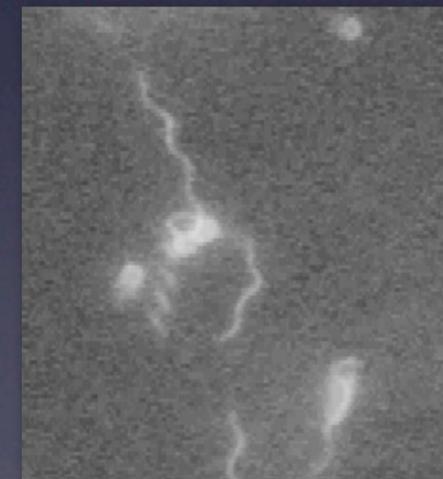
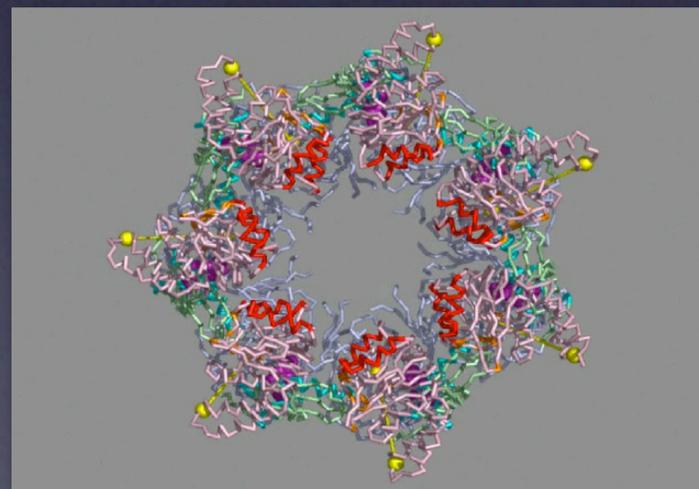
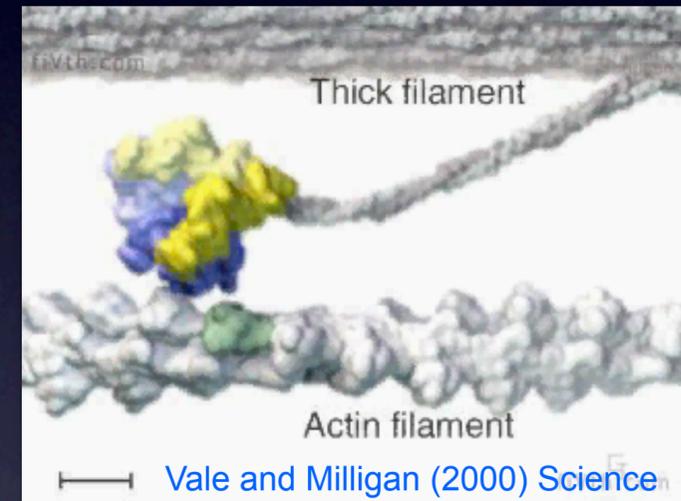
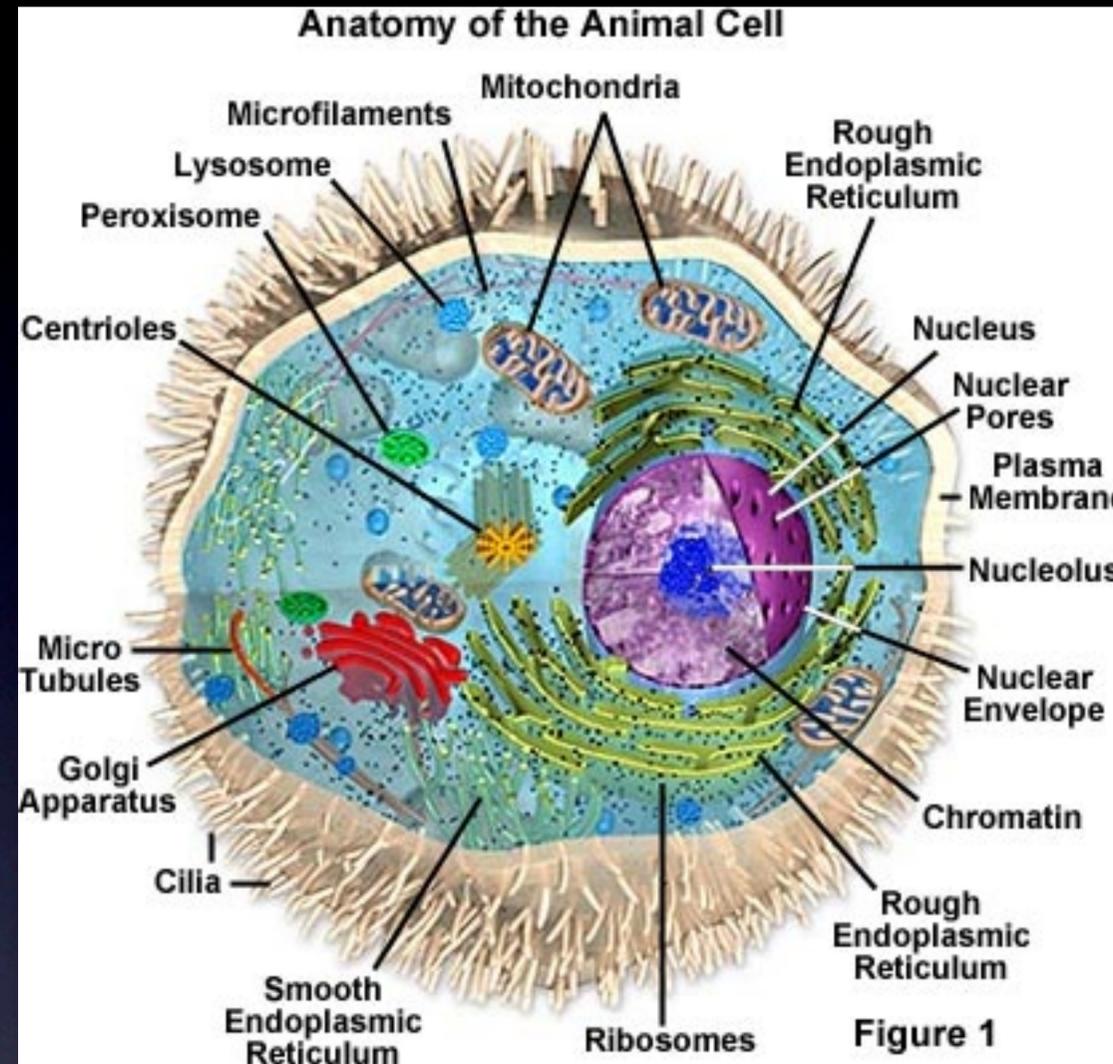
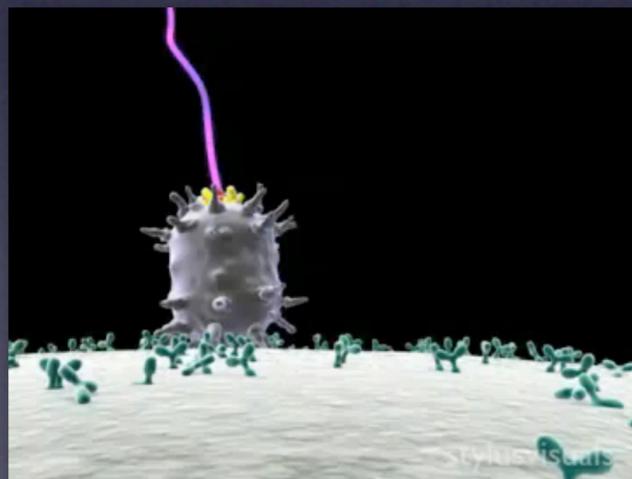
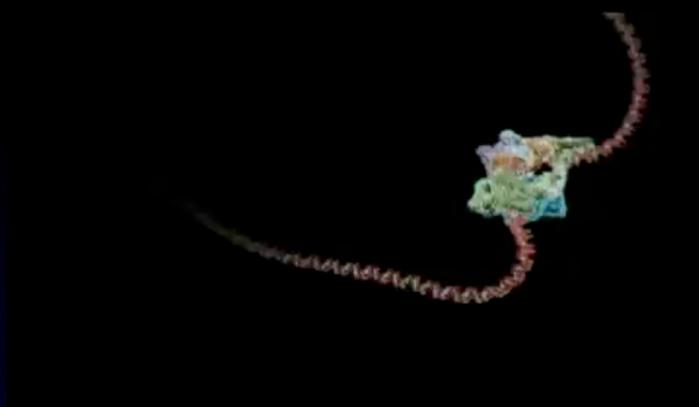
(iii) production of isochoric process through the “ignition of fuel”, followed by an power stroke (adiabatic expansion)

(iv) exhaust stroke by an isochoric and an isobaric compression

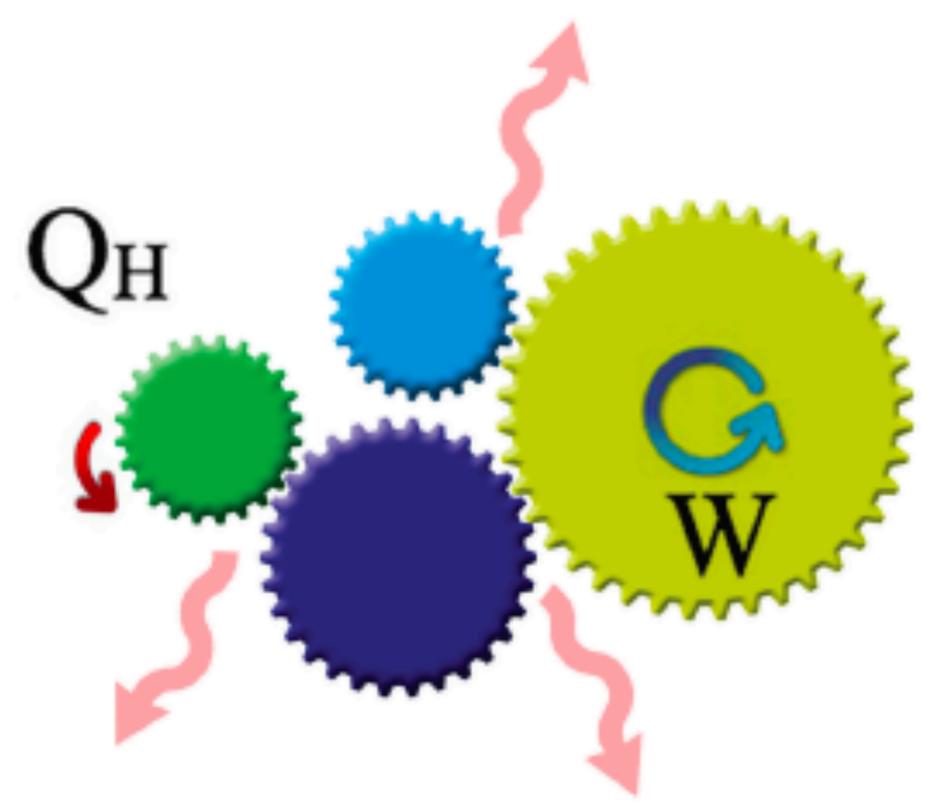


Microscopic engines

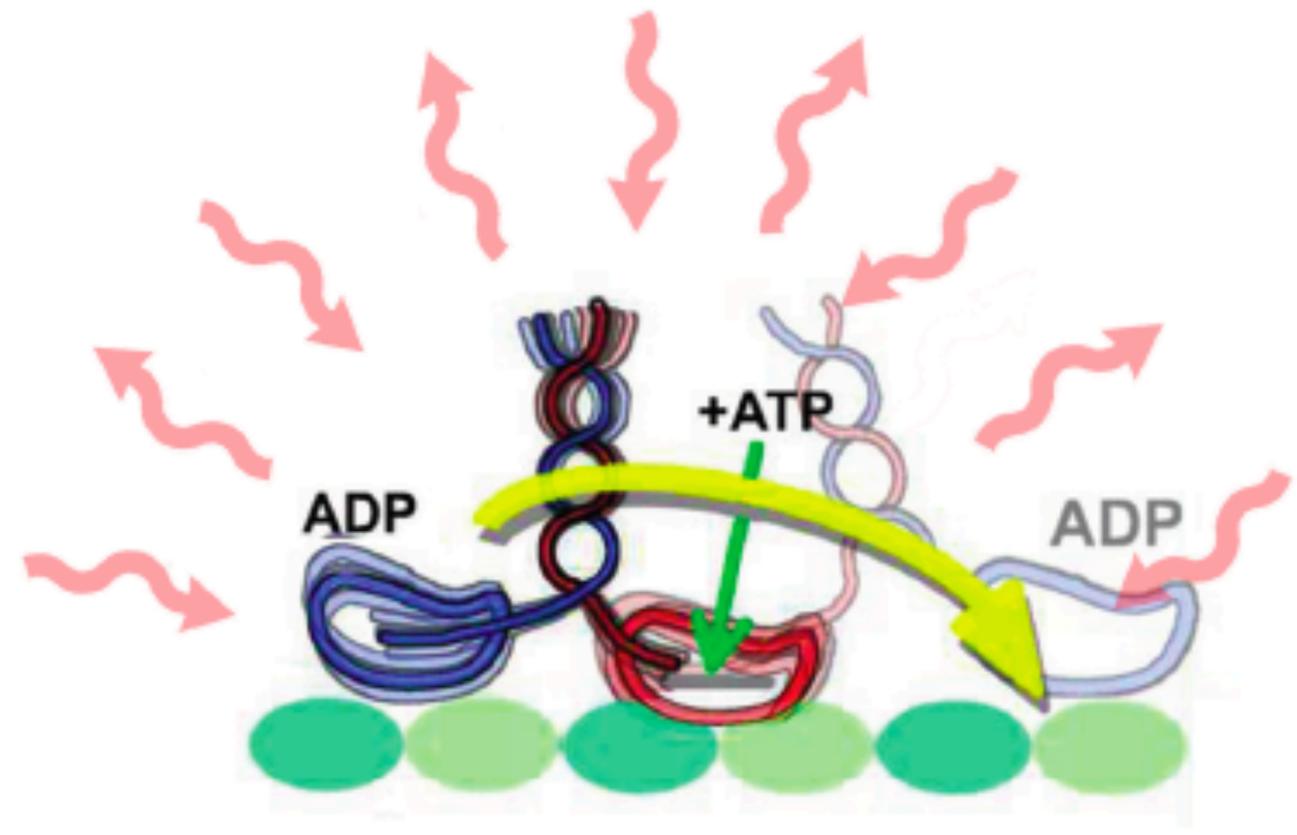
Molecular Motors in the Cell



Operational condition for molecular machines



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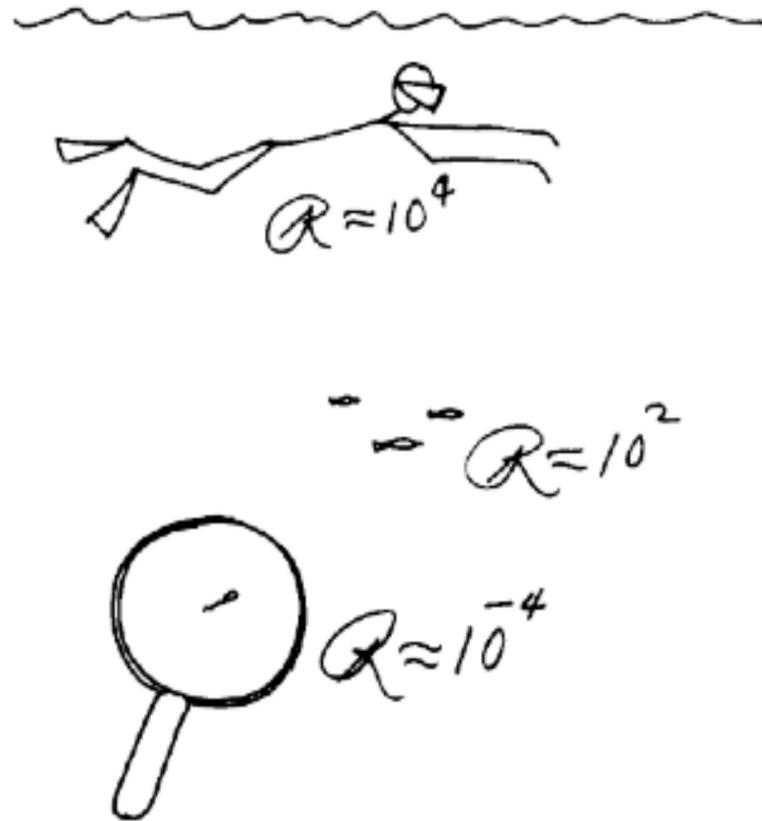
- Size : ~ nm
- Energy scale for noncovalent bond : ~ a few kT. (Covalent bond ~ 200 kT)
- Overdamped media :

$$\cancel{m} \frac{dv}{dt} = -\zeta v + F \quad v(t) = v(0)e^{-\frac{\zeta}{m}t} + \frac{1}{m} \int_0^t d\tau e^{-\frac{\zeta}{m}(t-\tau)} F(\tau) \xrightarrow{\frac{\zeta}{m} \gg 1} \frac{F(t)}{\zeta}$$

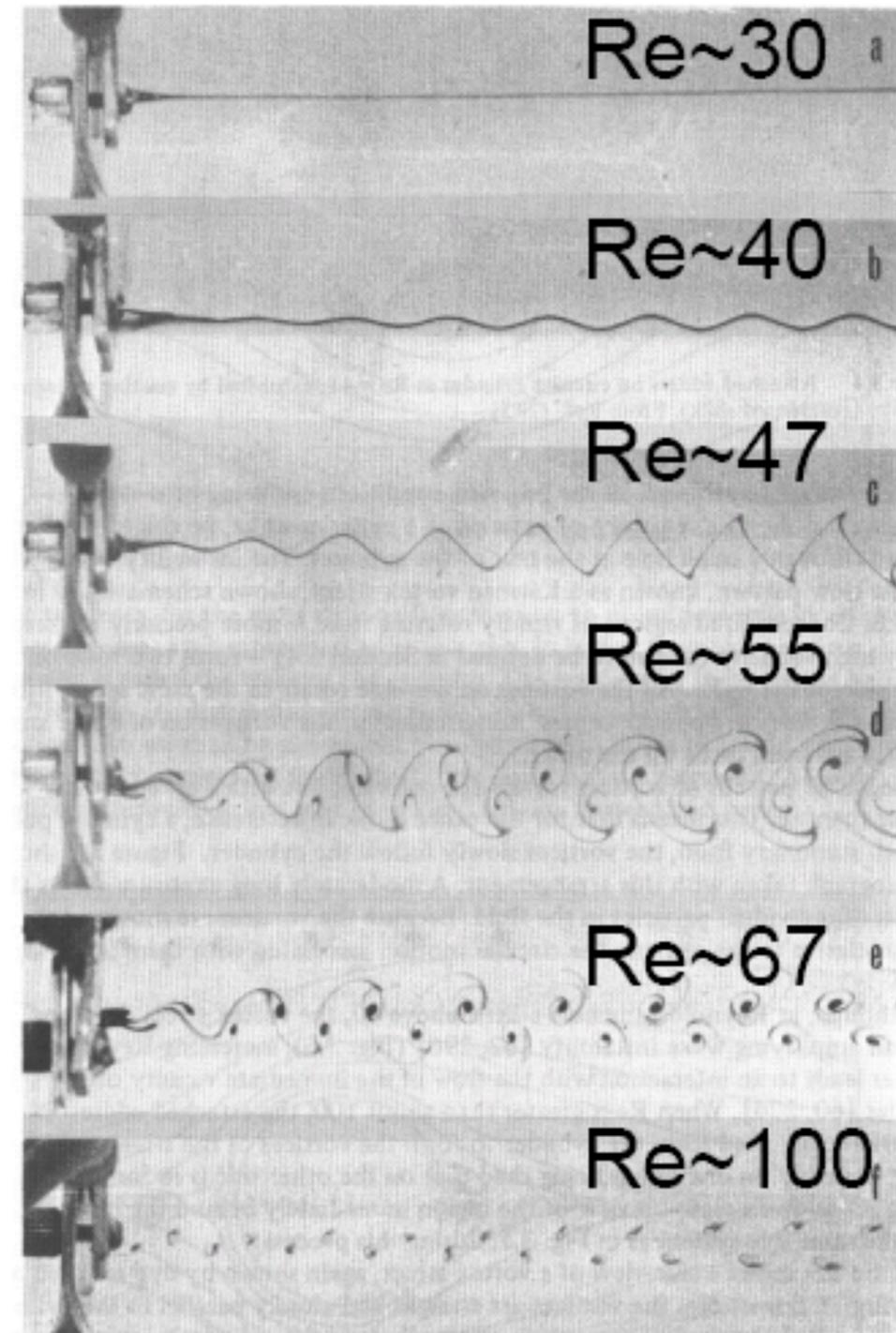
- $f_{\text{inertial}}/f_{\text{friction}} \sim (\rho v L / \eta) = \text{Re} \ll 1$ (ρ : density of object, v : velocity of object, L : size of object, η : viscosity of media)

Dynamics of biomolecules in the cell is dominated by **Friction**.

Because of different **Length**, **Energy**, and **Friction** scales of biomolecular dynamics in cellular environment, biological motors adopt a fundamentally different strategy from macroscopic machines to perform a work



- Flow patterns become very complex



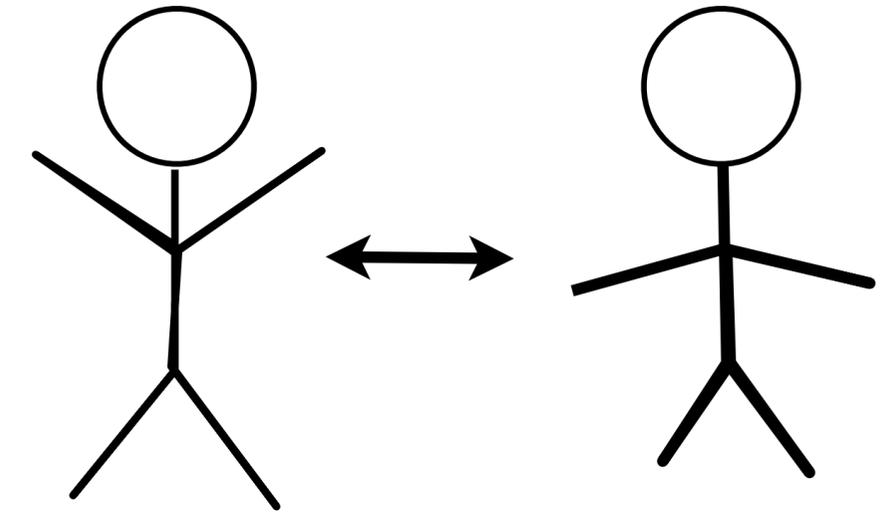
- Reynolds number is dimensionless
- General properties are the same regardless of the geometry
- $Re \gg 1$: high Reynolds number
Inertial effect dominates, Flow becomes turbulent
- $Re \ll 1$: low Reynolds number
Damping dominates. Flow: Laminar flow

Life in Moving Fluids

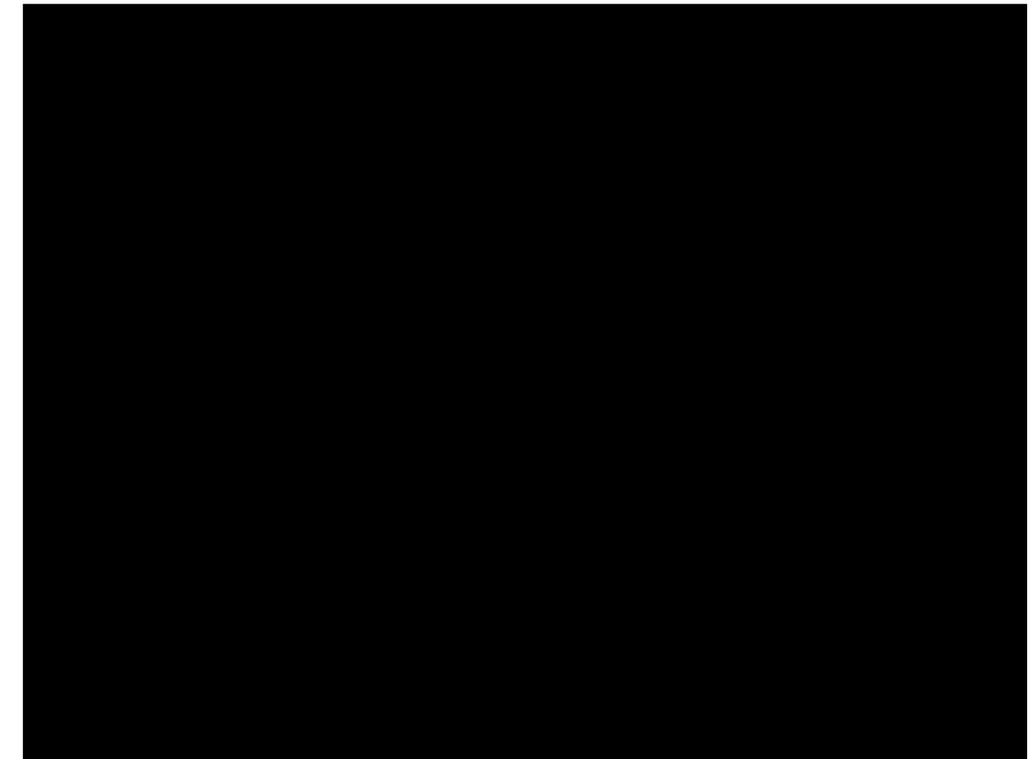
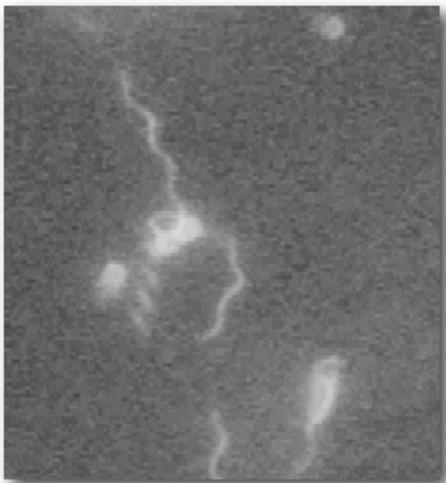
	Re
Large whale swimming at 10 ms^{-1}	300,000,000
Duck flying at 20 ms^{-1}	300,000
Large dragonfly going 7 ms^{-1}	30,000
Flapping wings of smallest flying insects	30
Invertebrate larva 0.3mm going at 1 mms^{-1}	0.3
$1 \mu\text{m}$ bacterium swimming at $30 \mu\text{ms}^{-1}$	0.00003

Need to keep drag down-
by design of shape and
material characteristics.

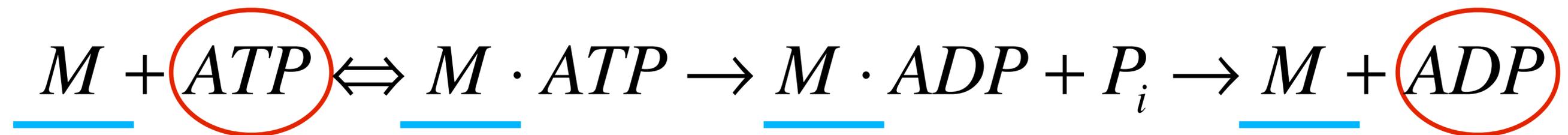
Increasing effect of viscosity

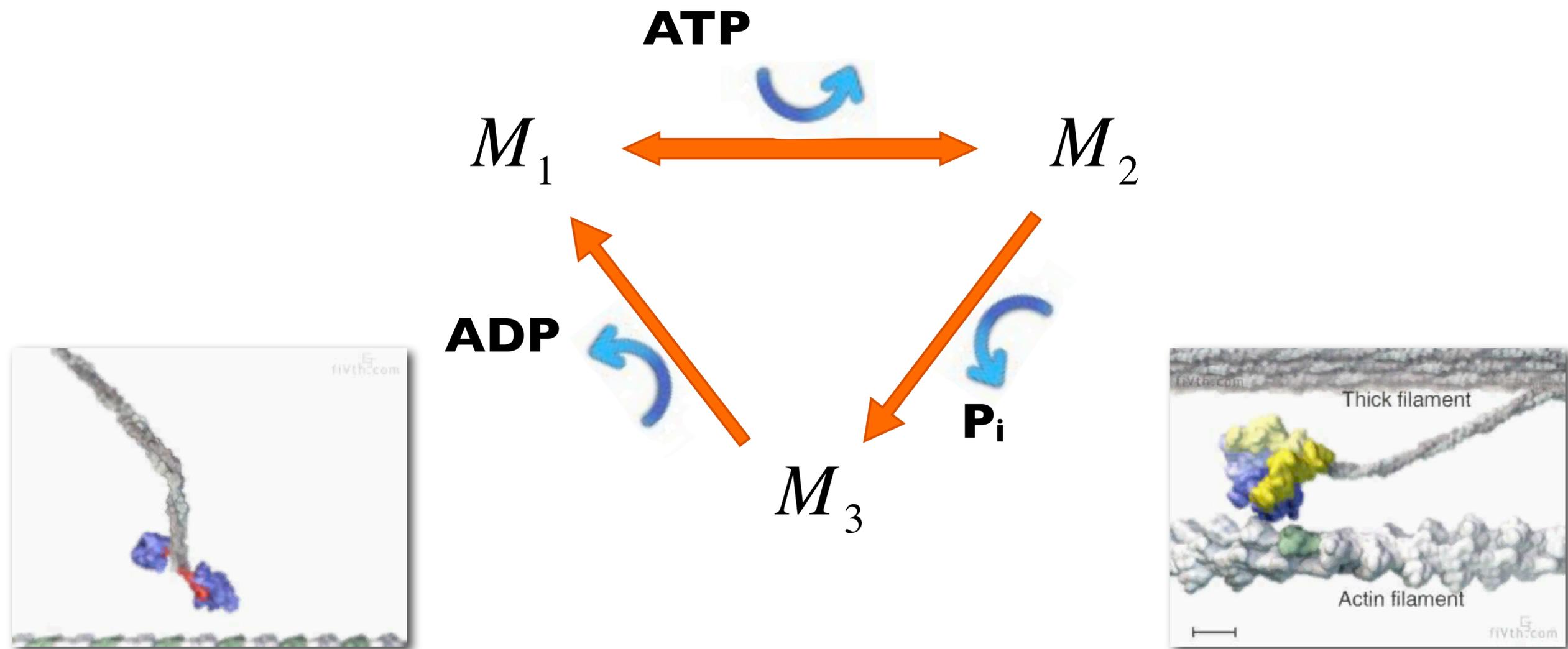


Problem of propulsion –
Solved using
cilia and flagella, i.e.
anisotropic
shapes and hence
anisotropic
drag forces.



Molecular motors = Enzymes

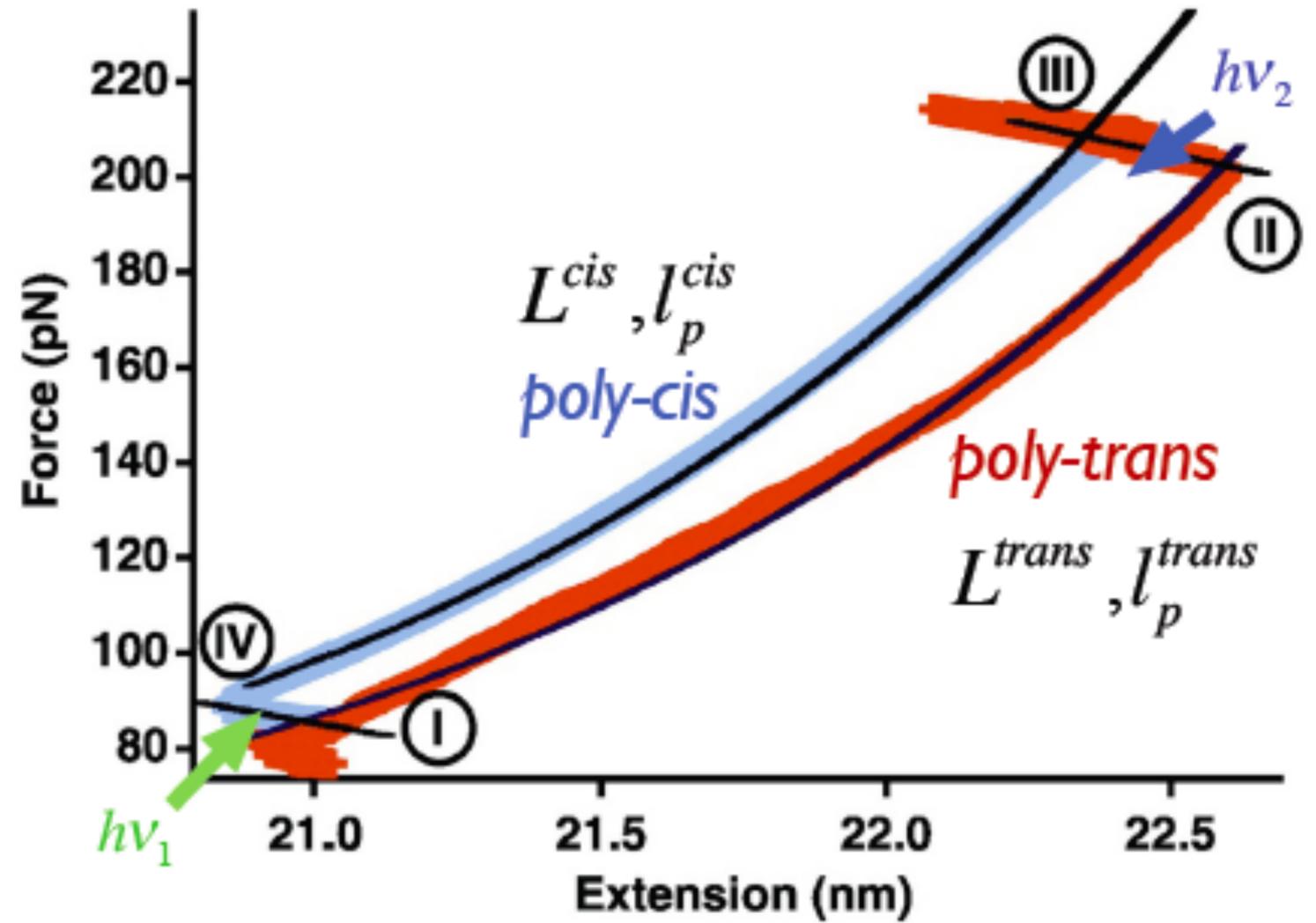
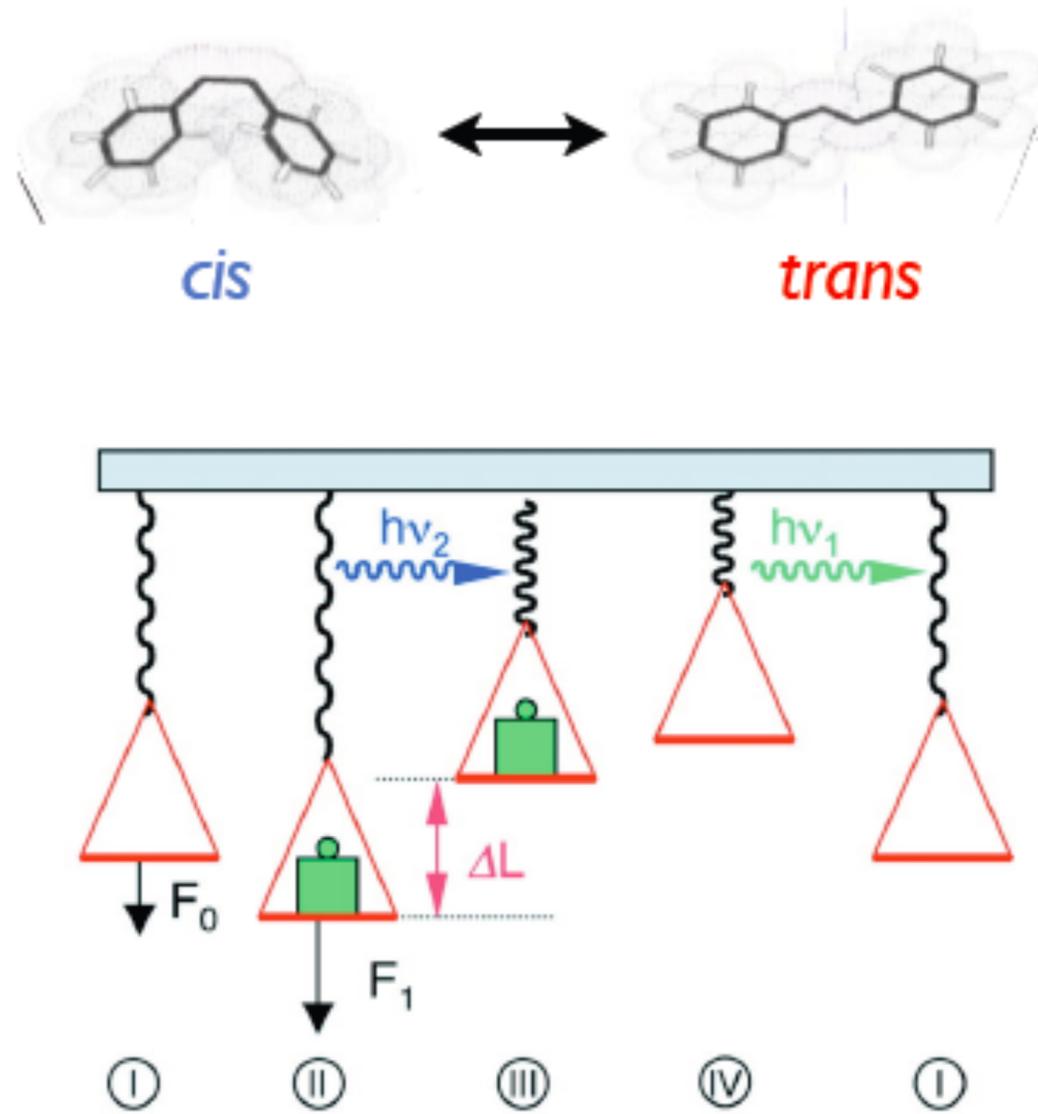




Animations from Vale and Milligan (2000) Science

ATPase activity of molecules entails “**structural changes**” that produce a mechanical work.

Hugel et al (2002) Science 296:1103



Kinetics of molecular motors

KINETICS OF MOTOR PROTEINS

$$\frac{dP_{E_1}}{dt} = -(k_1^+ + k_3^-)P_{E_1} + k_1^-P_{E_2} + k_3^+P_{E_3}$$

$$\frac{dP_{E_2}}{dt} = -(k_2^+ + k_1^-)P_{E_2} + k_2^-P_{E_3} + k_1^+P_{E_1}$$

$$\frac{dP_{E_3}}{dt} = -(k_3^+ + k_2^-)P_{E_3} + k_3^-P_{E_1} + k_2^+P_{E_2}$$

$$P_{E_1} + P_{E_2} + P_{E_3} = 1$$

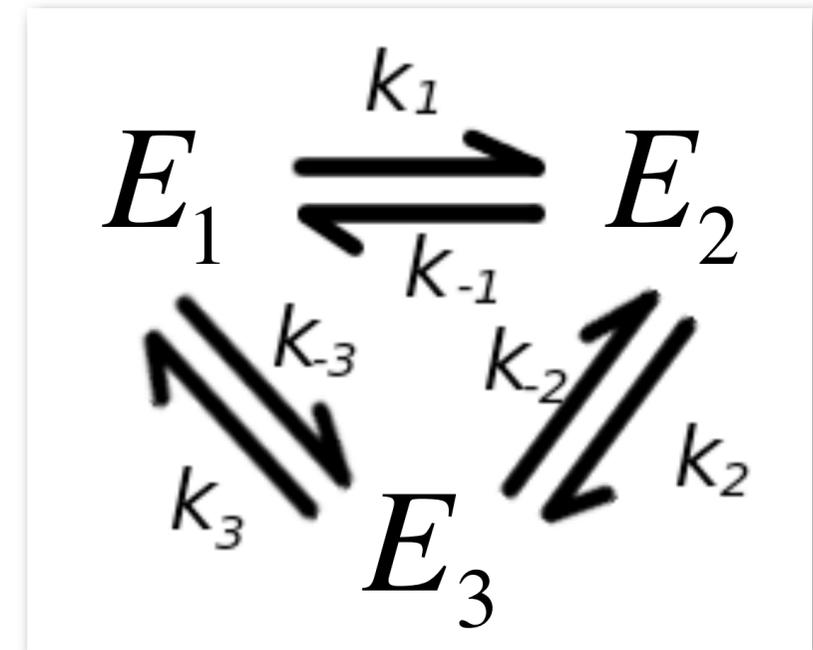
$$P_{E_1}^{ss} = \frac{k_2^+k_3^+ + k_3^+k_1^- + k_1^-k_2^-}{\Sigma(\{k_i^\pm\})}$$

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Steady State Solution for Reversible Cyclic Reaction

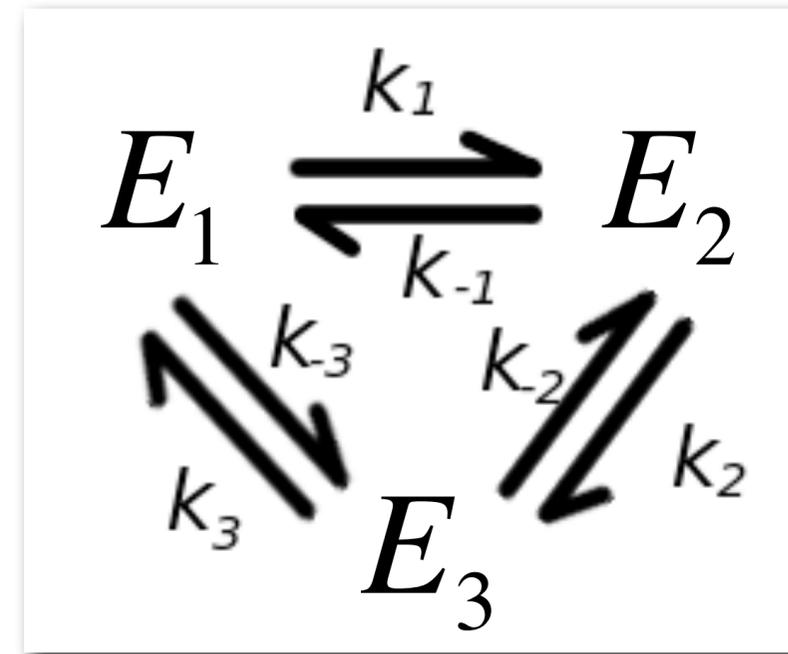


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$$V_3 \equiv k_i^+ P_{E_i}^{ss} - k_i^- P_{E_{i+1}}^{ss}$$

j_+

j_-

$$= \frac{k_1^+ k_2^+ k_3^+ - k_1^- k_2^- k_3^-}{k_1^+ k_2^+ + k_2^+ k_3^+ + k_3^+ k_1^+ + k_1^- k_2^- + k_2^- k_3^- + k_3^- k_1^- + k_1^- k_3^+ + k_1^+ k_2^- + k_2^+ k_3^-}$$

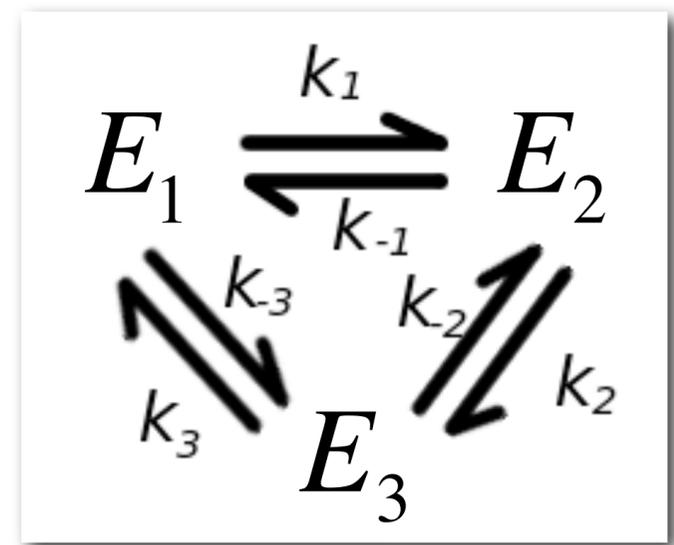
$$j(= V/\delta) = j_+ - j_-$$

$j = 0 \Rightarrow$ **Equilibrium**

$j \neq 0 \Rightarrow$ **Nonequilibrium Steady State**

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$$k_1^+ \rightarrow k_1^+[T]$$

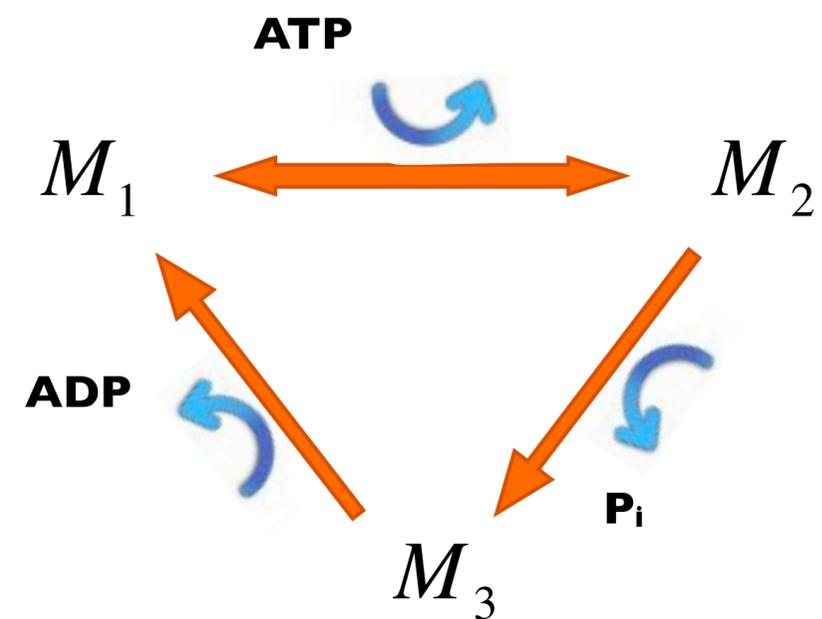
$$k_2^- \rightarrow k_2^-[P]$$

$$k_3^- \rightarrow k_3^-[D]$$

$$V = \delta \frac{\prod_{i=1}^3 k_i^+[T] - \prod_{i=1}^3 k_i^-[D][P]}{\sum(\{k_i^\pm\})}$$

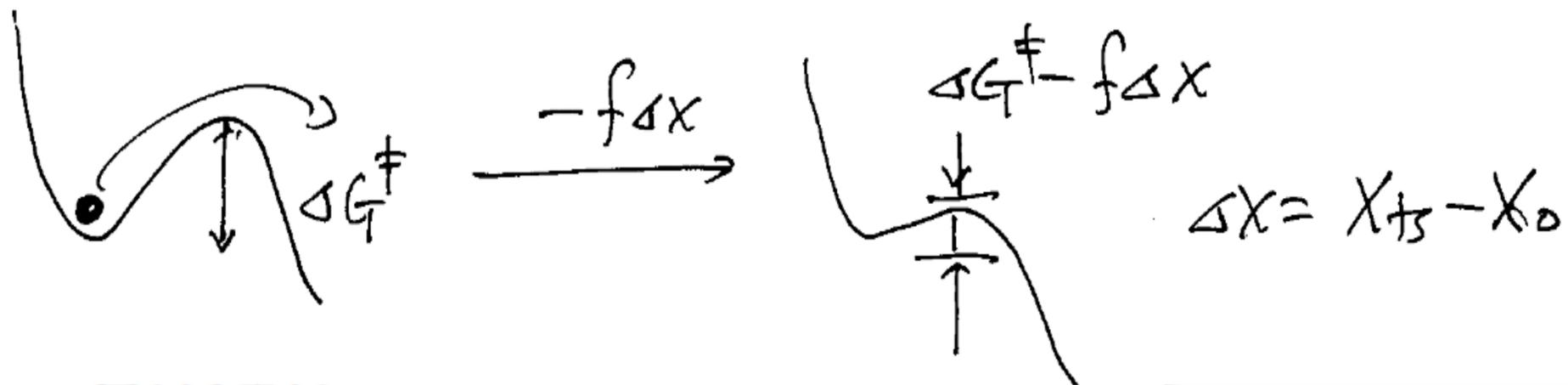
$$K = \frac{j_+}{j_-} = \frac{k_1^+ k_2^+ k_3^+[T]}{k_1^- k_2^- k_3^-[D][P]}$$

$$1 = \frac{k_1^+ k_2^+ k_3^+[T]_{eq}}{k_1^- k_2^- k_3^-[D]_{eq}[P]_{eq}}$$



$$\Delta\mu = -k_B T \log K = k_B T \log \left(\frac{\left\{ \frac{[D][P]}{[T]} \right\}}{\left\{ \frac{[D]_{eq}[P]_{eq}}{[T]_{eq}} \right\}} \right)$$

Under ex



$$V = \delta \frac{\prod_{i=1}^N \Sigma(\{k_i^\pm\})}{k_T^+ [T] k_S^+ k_{hyd}^+ k_{-P}^+ k_{-D}^+ - k_T^- k_S^- k_{hyd}^- k_{-P}^- [P] k_{-D}^- [D]}$$

$$k_i^\pm \rightarrow k_i^\pm \exp(\pm f \delta_i^\pm / k_B T)$$

j_+

j_-

$$V(f) = \delta \frac{\left(\prod_{i=1}^N k_i^+ [T] \right) e^{-f \sum_i \delta_i^+ / k_B T} - \left(\prod_{i=1}^N k_i^- [D][P] \right) e^{f \sum_i \delta_i^- / k_B T}}{\Sigma(f)}$$

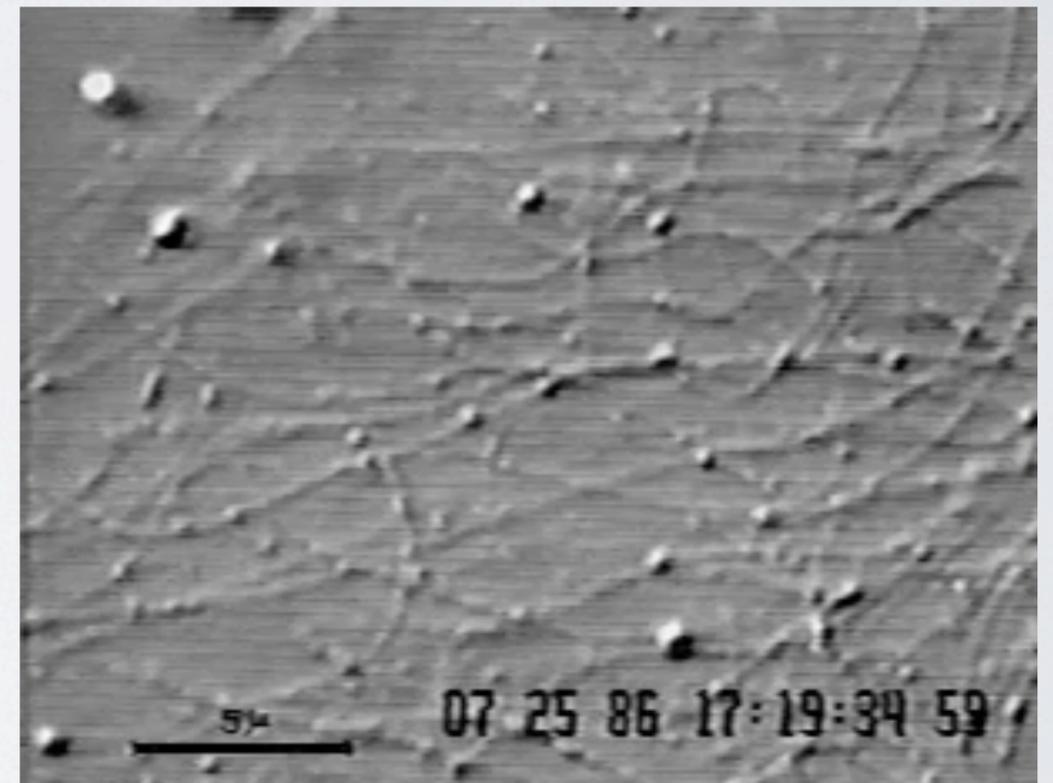
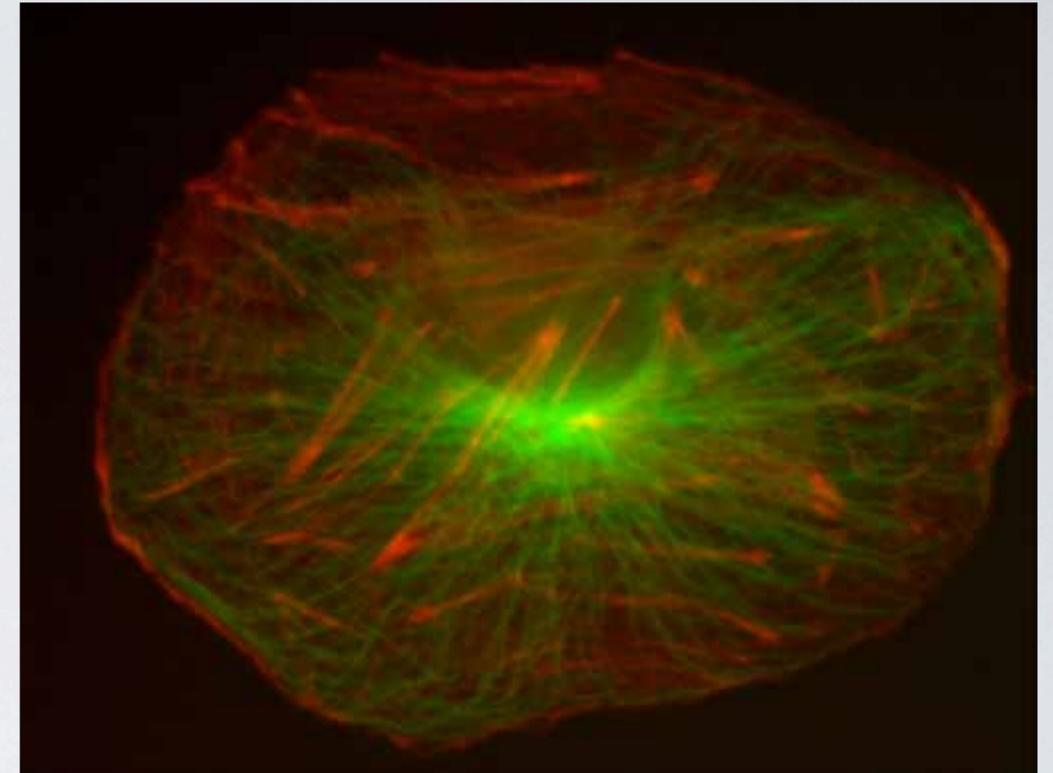
$$\sum_i \delta_i^+ + \sum_i \delta_i^- = \delta = 8 \text{ nm}$$

$$K = j_+ / j_- = K^o e^{-f \delta / k_B T} = \left(K_{eq} \frac{[T]}{[D][P]} \right) e^{-f \delta / k_B T}$$

Kinesins

Transport motors in cellular systems

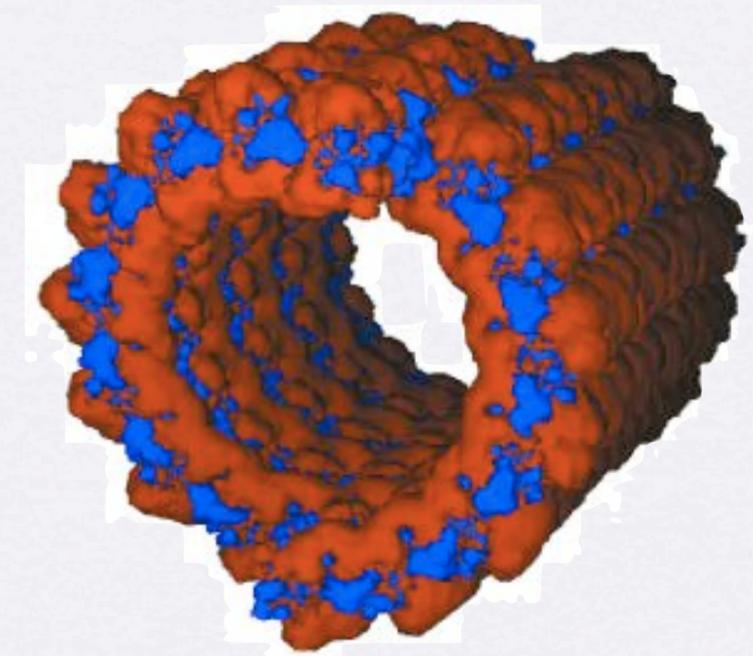
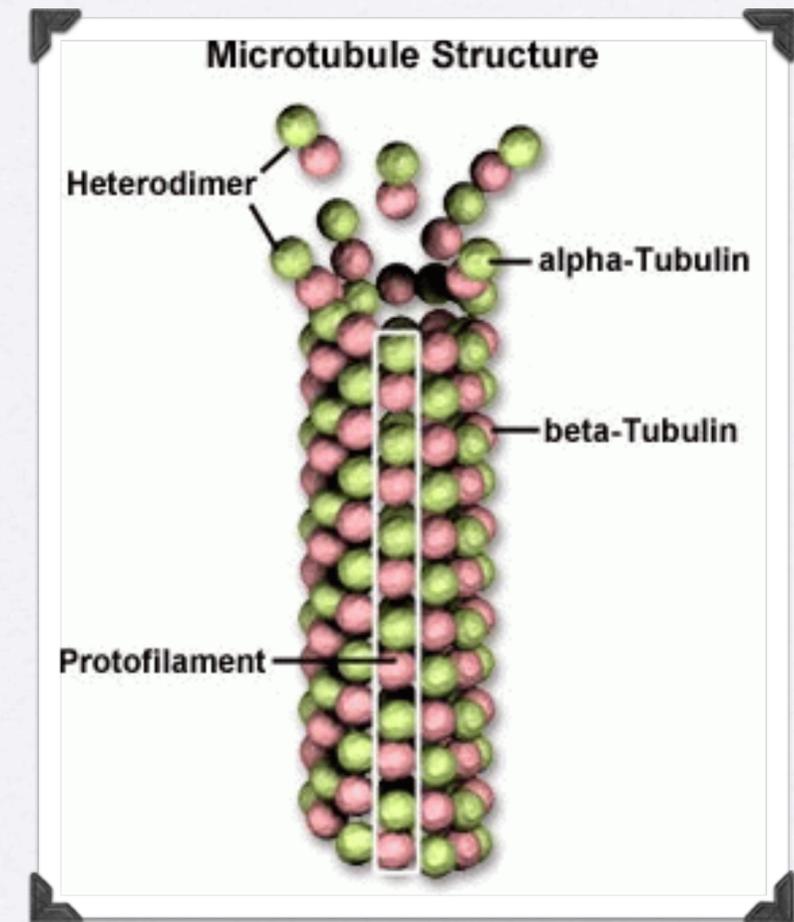
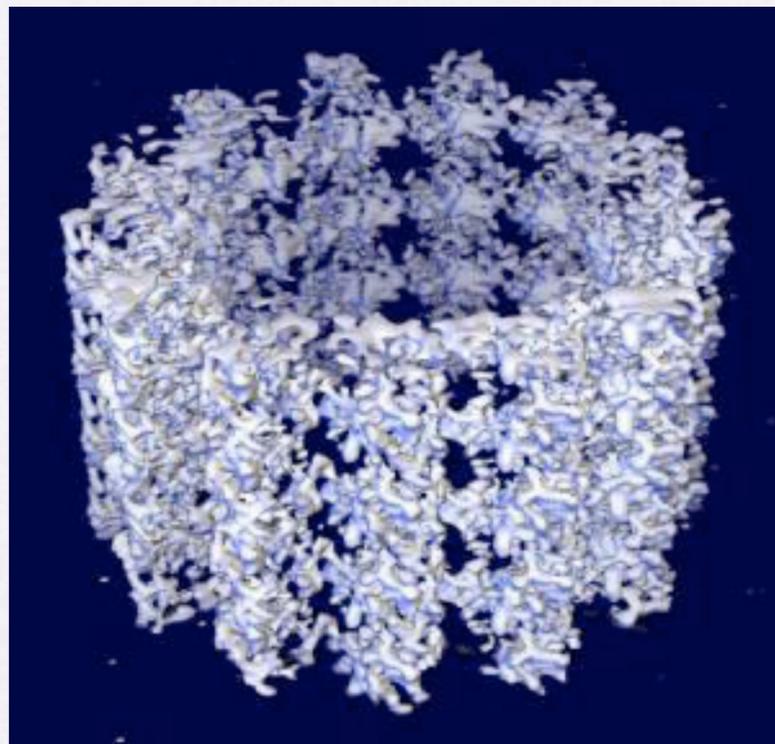
- Transport motors (kinesin, myosin, dynein) carry cellular material along the complex network of cytoskeletal filaments such as microtubules and actin.
- Molecular motors catalyze the hydrolysis of ATP so as to proceed along cytoskeletal filament.
- Kinesin's speed (Rapid transport of organelle along the axon is accomplished by directed motions of kinesin)
 - $V \sim 1 \mu\text{m}/\text{sec} \Rightarrow$ To travel 1 m $\Rightarrow t \sim 11$ days.
 - cf. $D \sim 10 \mu\text{m}^2/\text{sec} \Rightarrow$ To travel 1m $\Rightarrow t > 300$ years



axon of giant squid

Microtubules

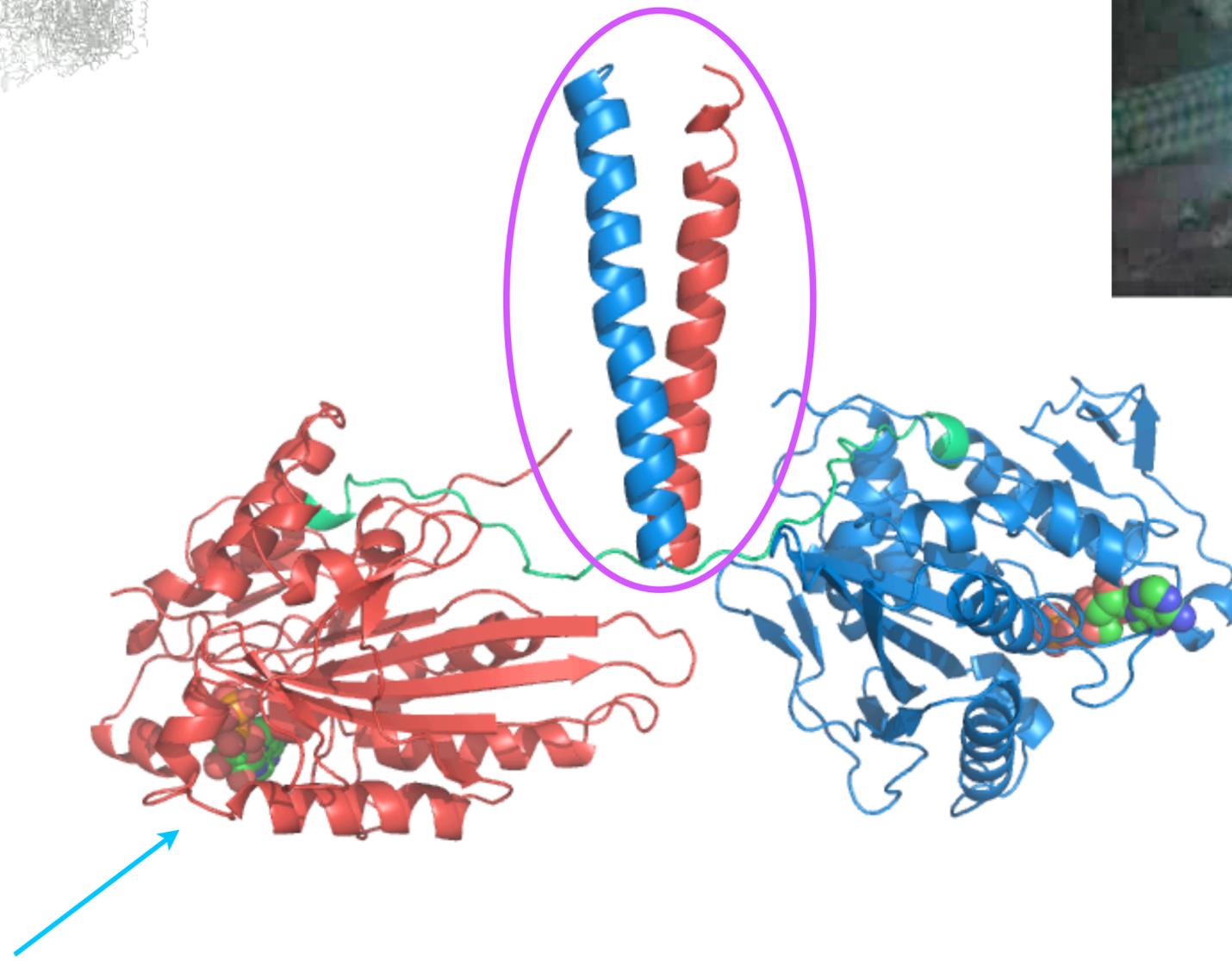
- consist of multiple alpha and beta-tubulin dimers.
- In vivo : 13 protofilament, straight along the axis
- In vitro : 11-15 protofilament, helical along the axis.
- Each dimer is highly charged (net charge = -34 e)



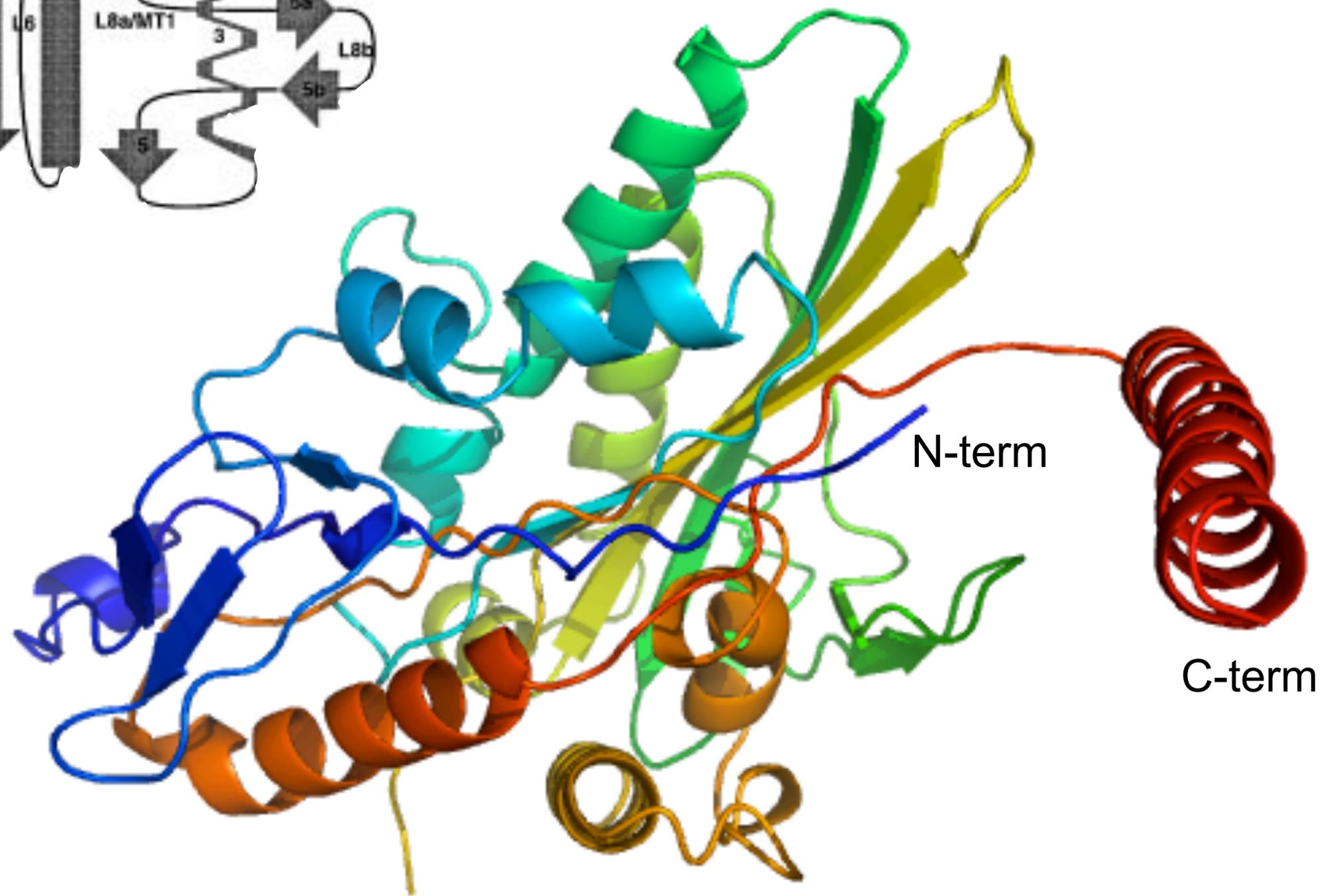
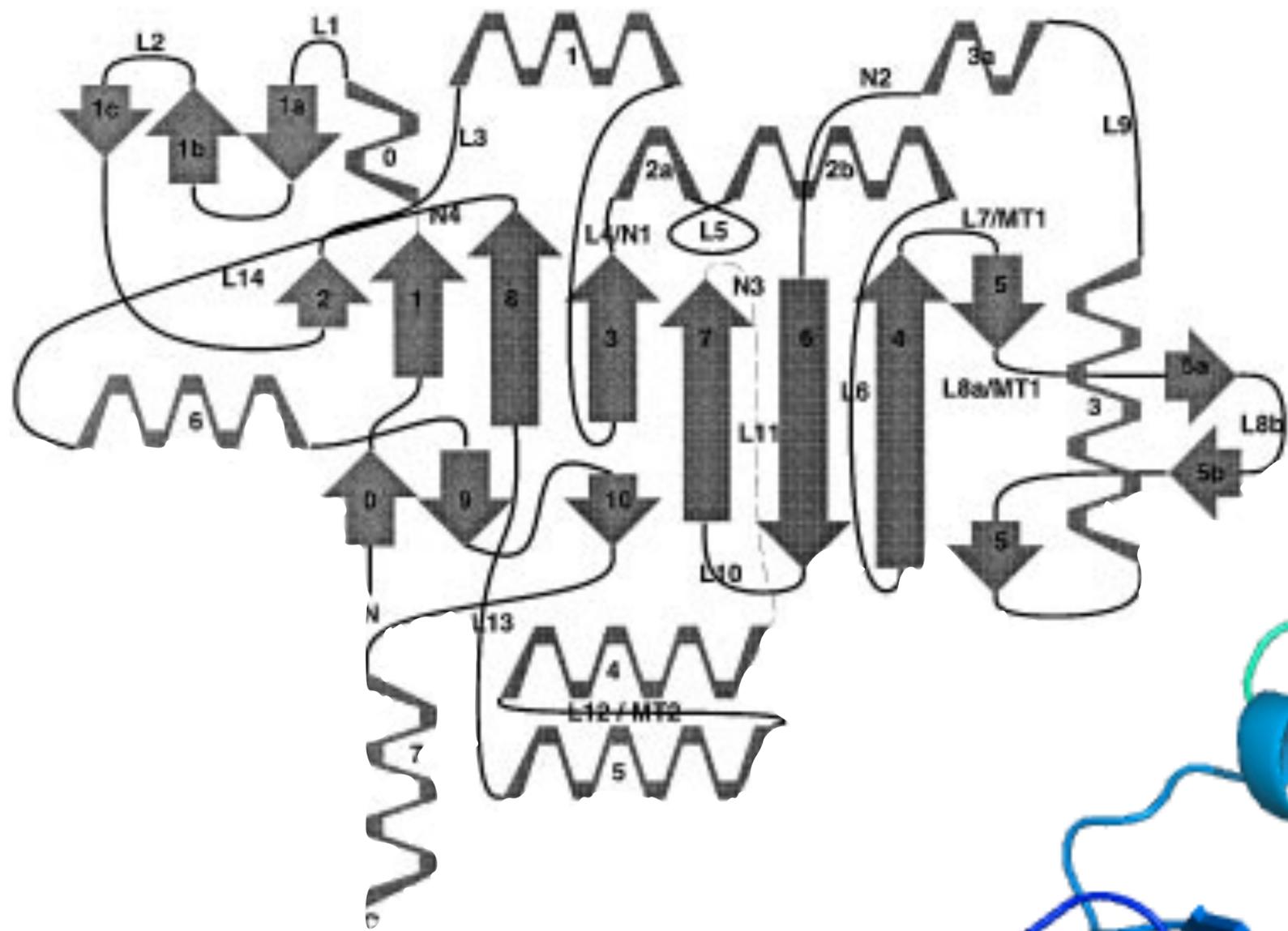
Crystal structure of kinesin-1

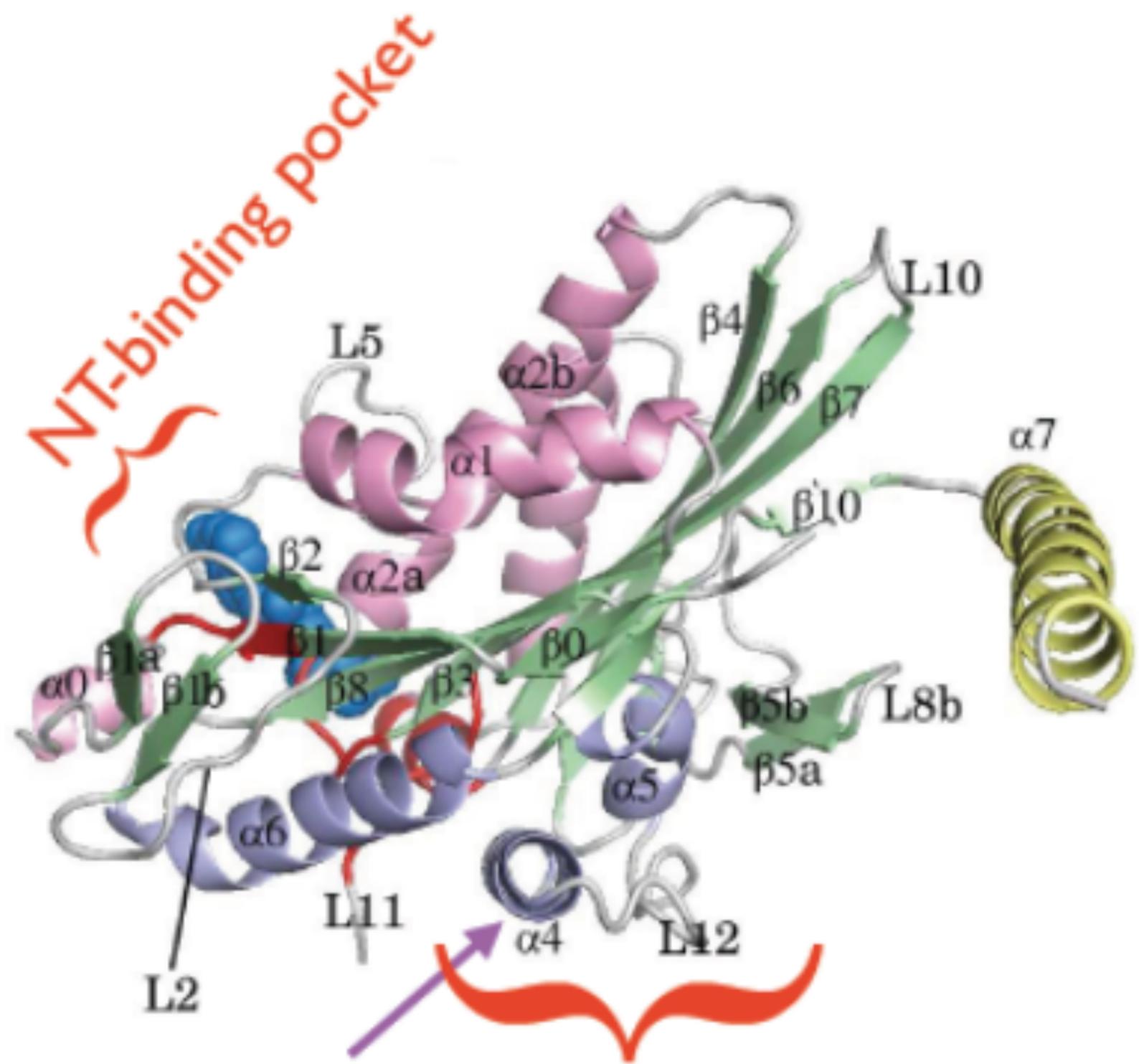


coiled-coil association



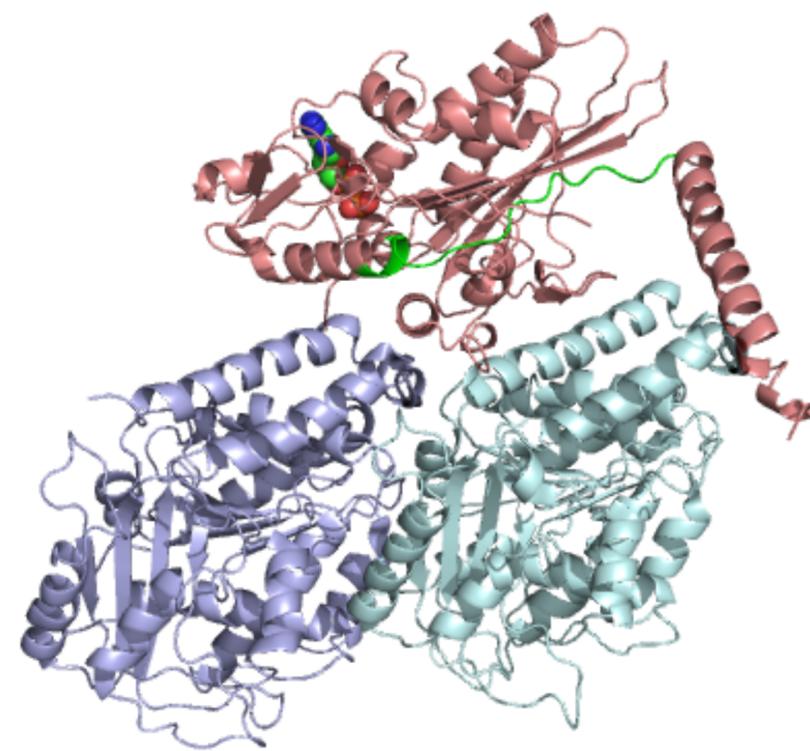
nucleotide (ATP, ADP.Pi, ADP) binding site

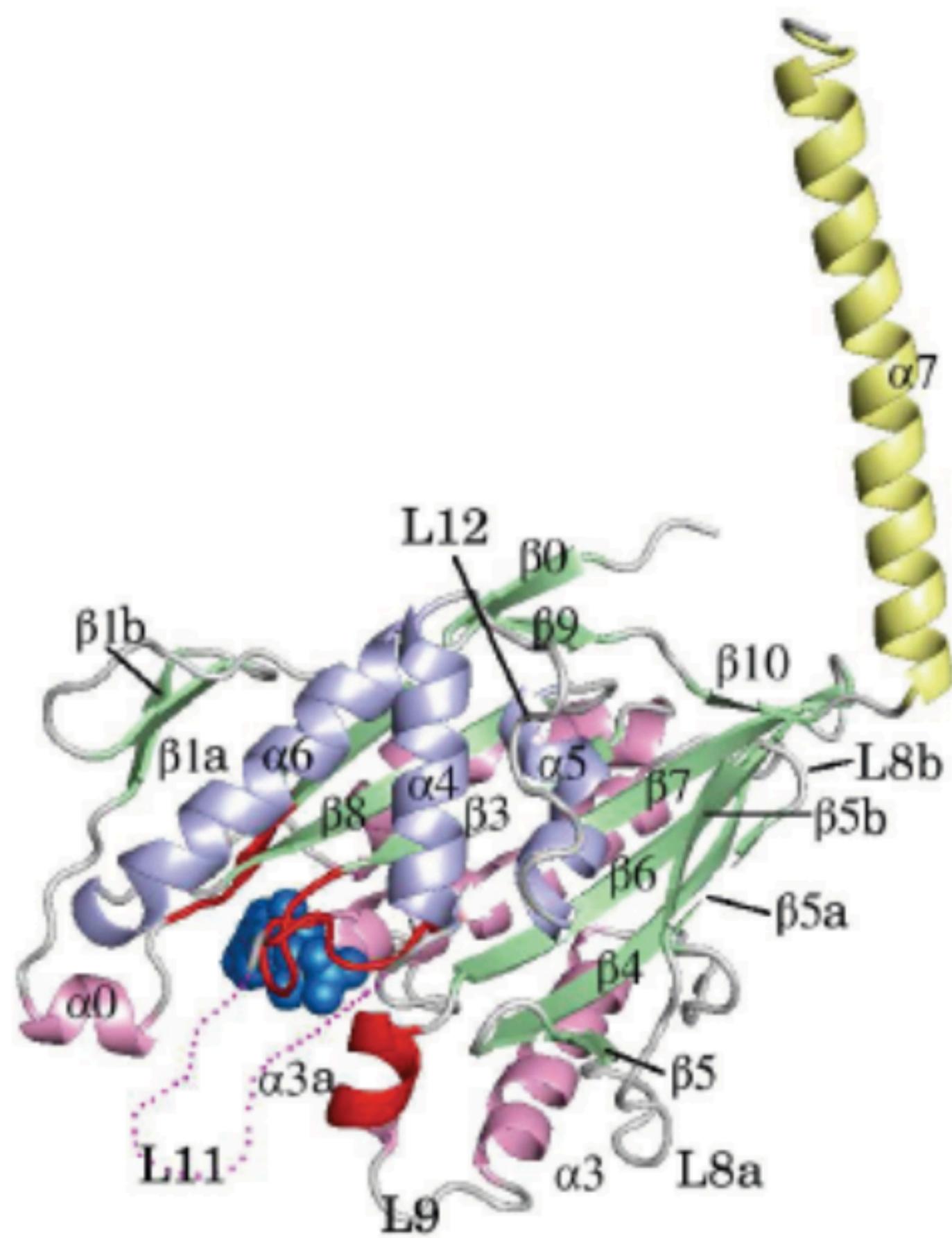


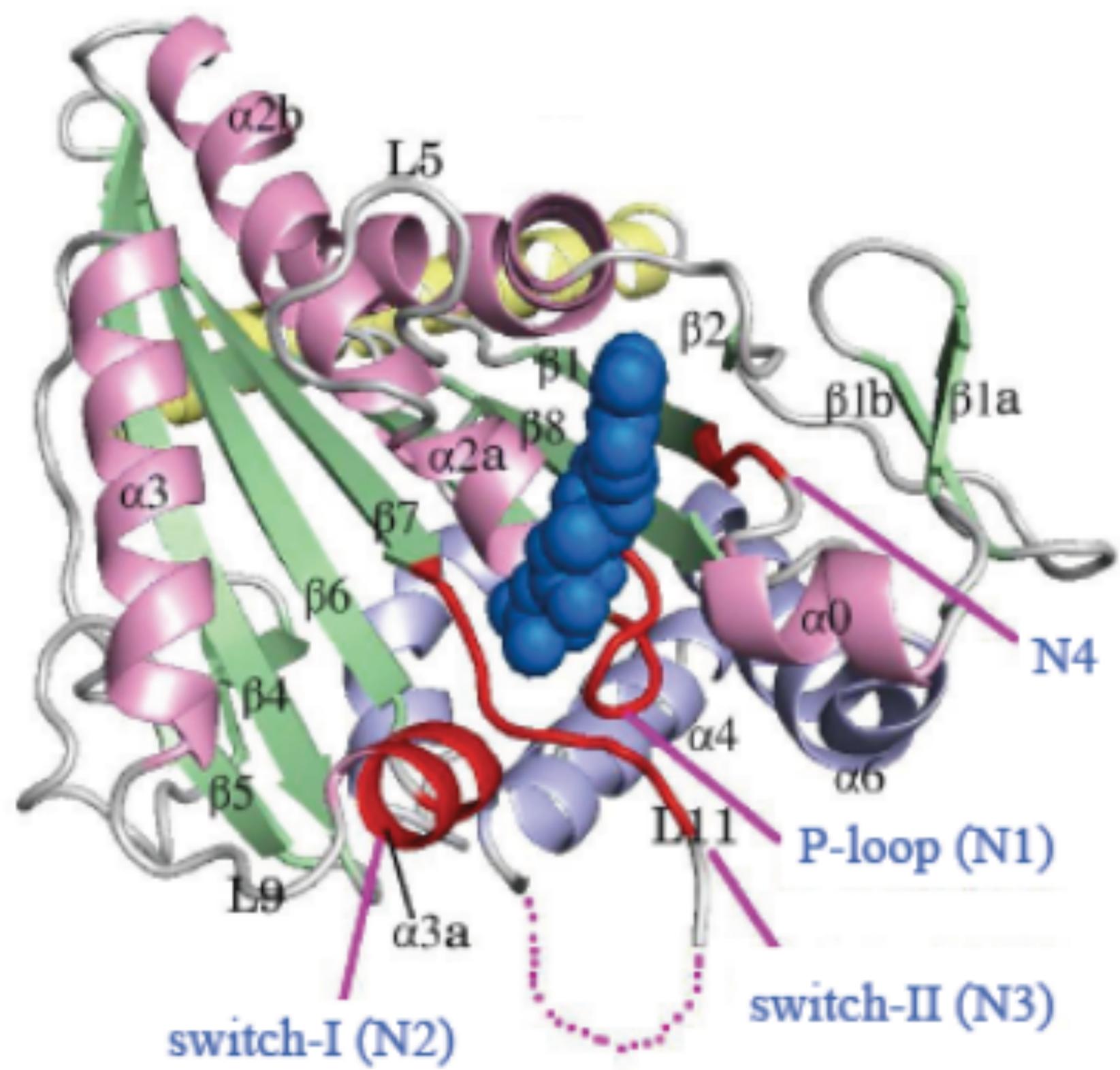


switch-II helix
(relay helix)

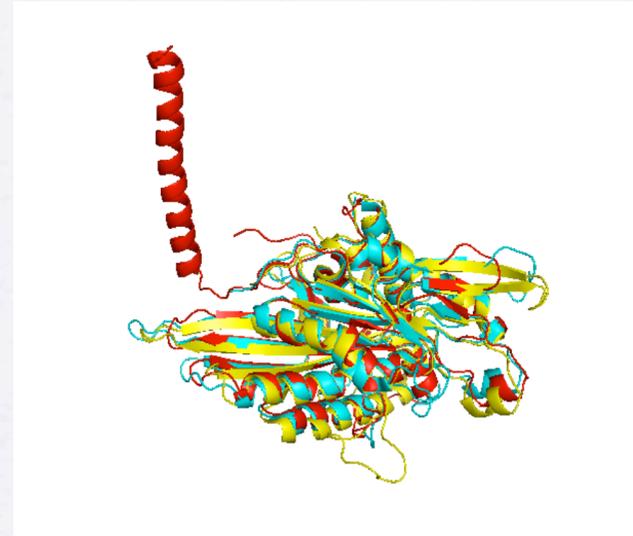
MT-binding motifs



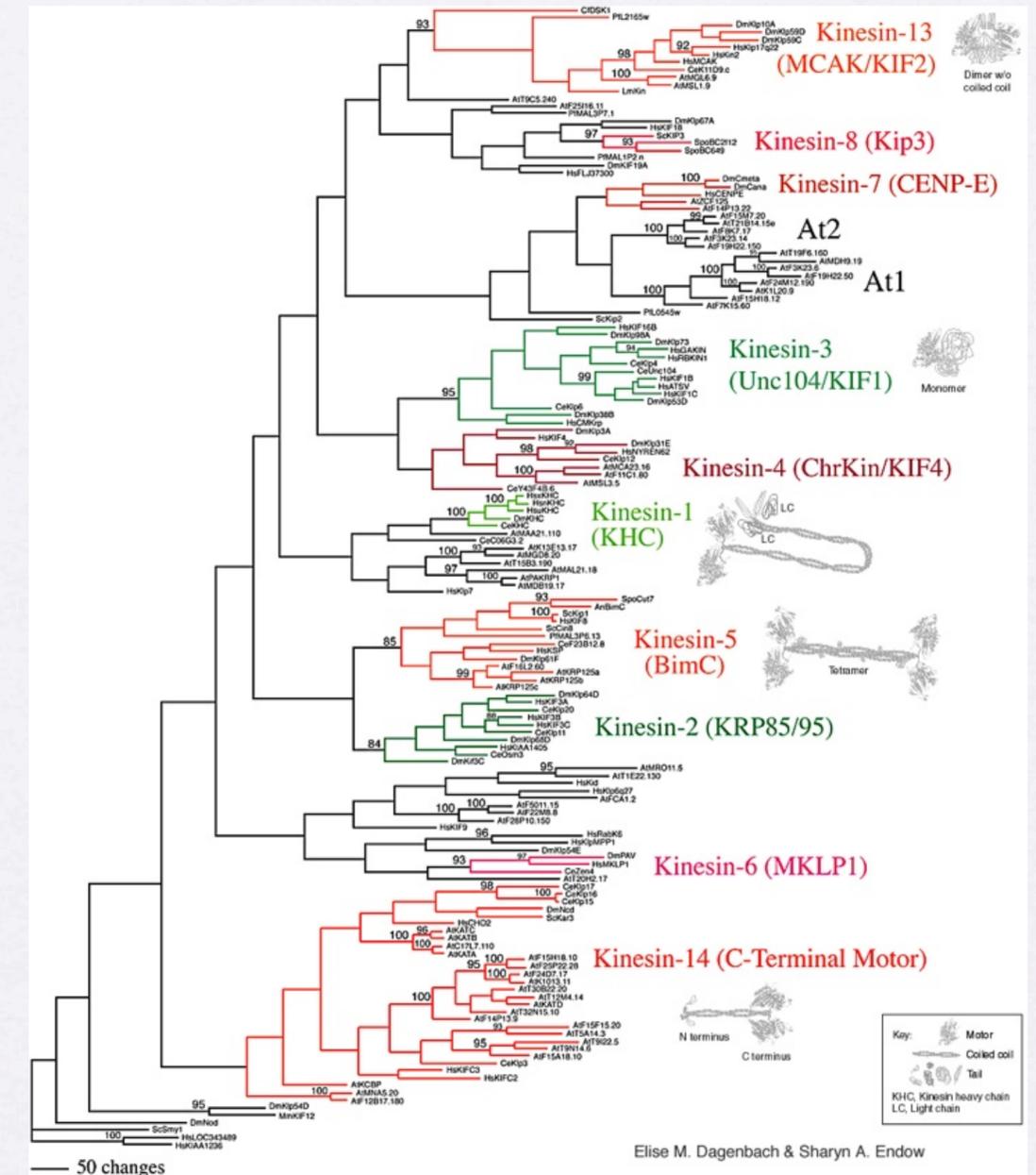




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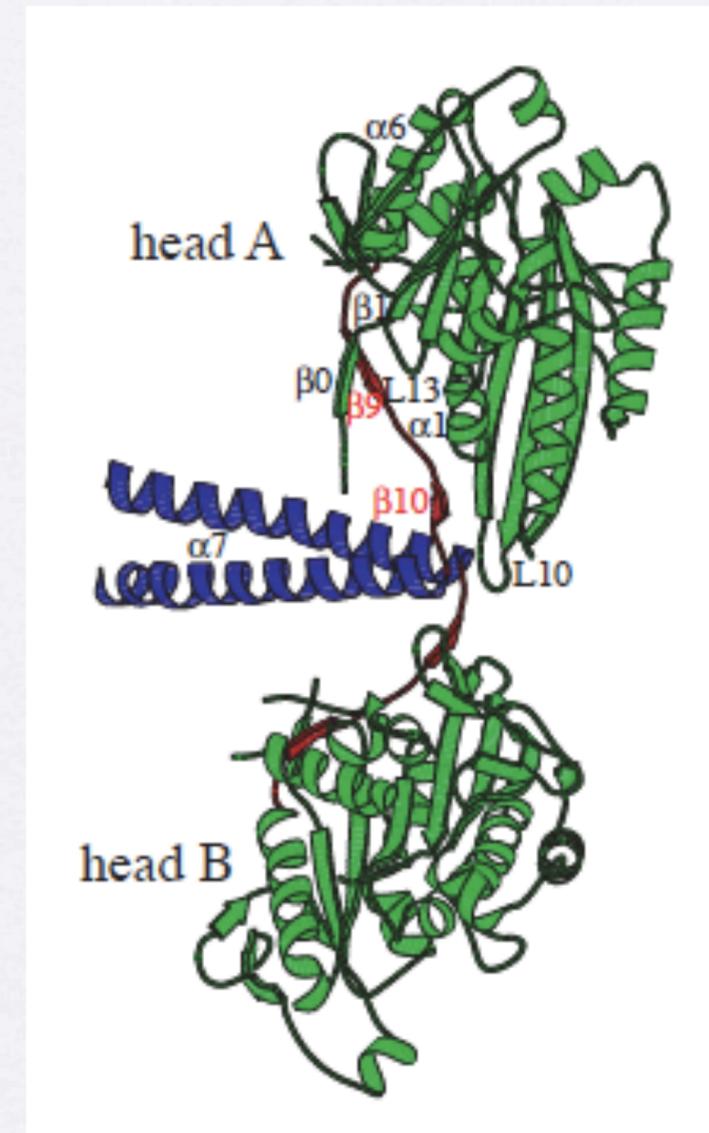


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- kinesin-1 : Conventional kinesin, responsible for material transport. (the most well studied kinesin)
- kinesin-5 (Eg5) : kinesin tetramer responsible for bipolar spindle formation leading to the cell division.
- Single-headed kinesin (KIF1A)
- kinesin-13 : Depolymerization of microtubules
- (-) end-directed kinesin (NCD).



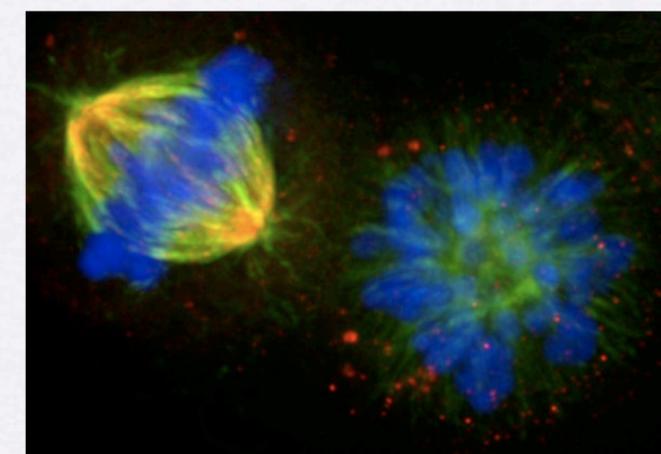
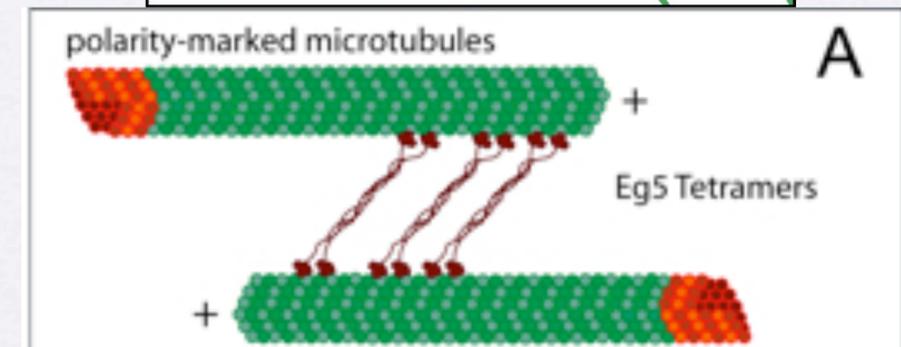
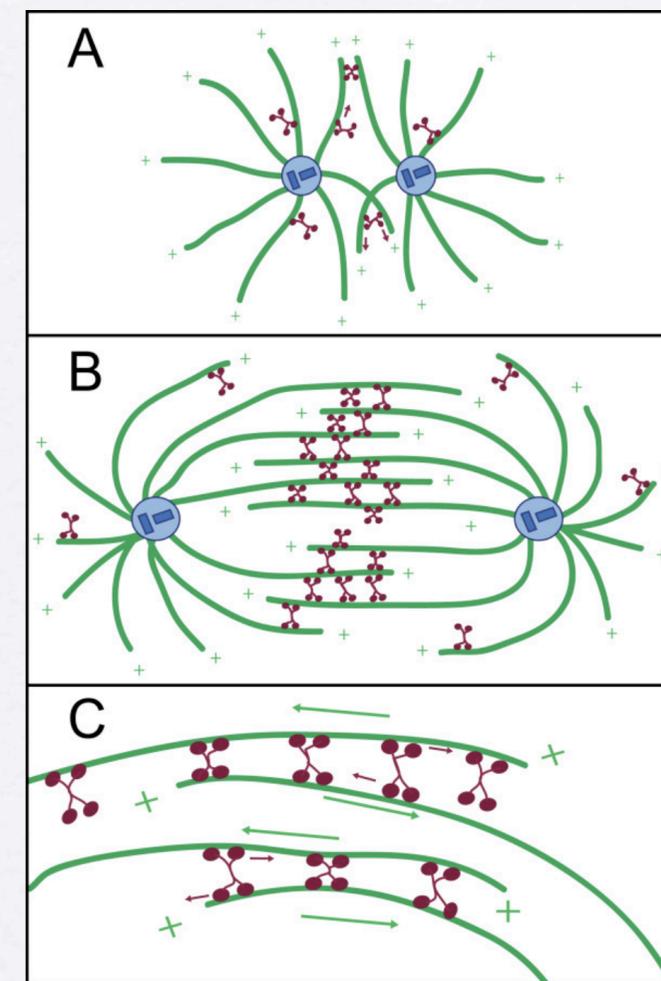
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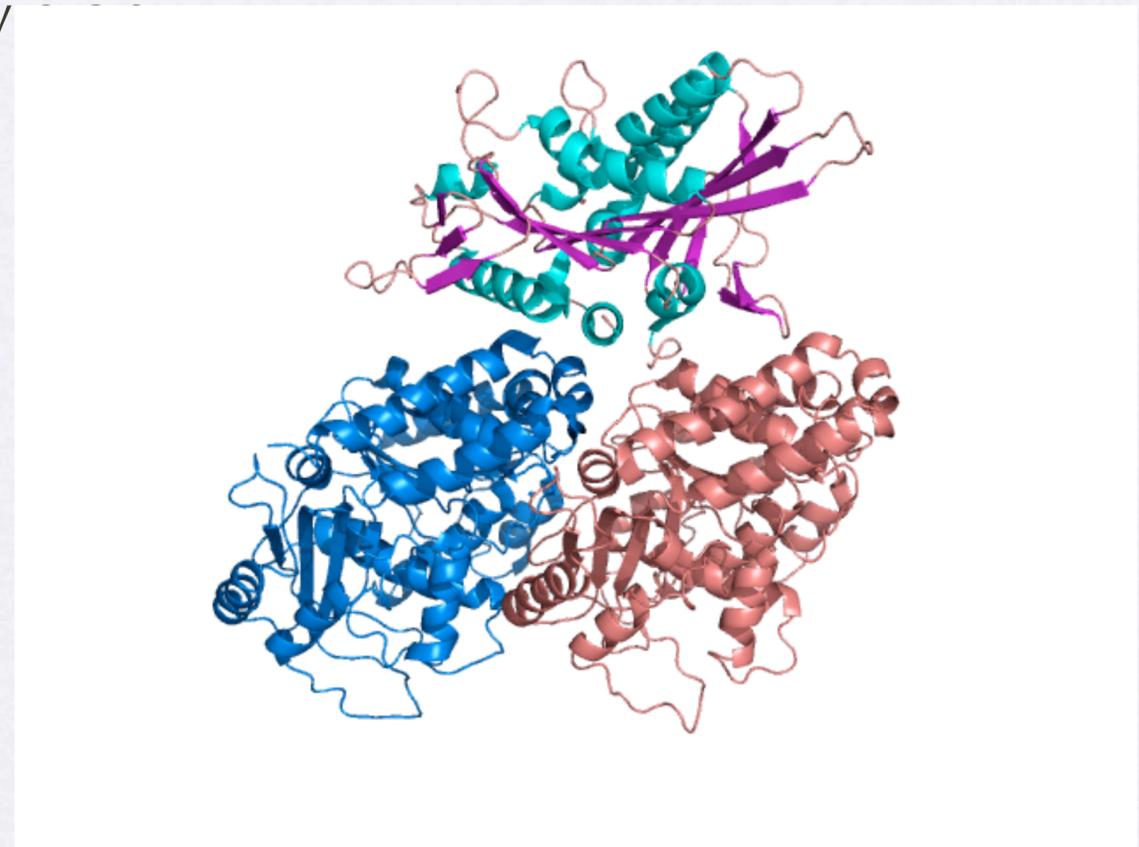
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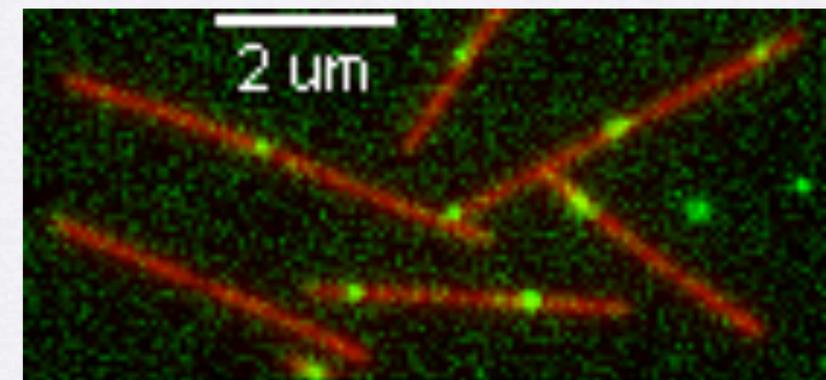
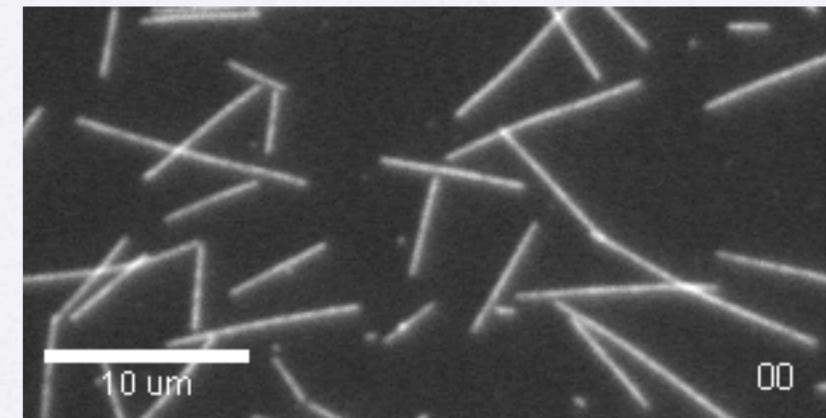
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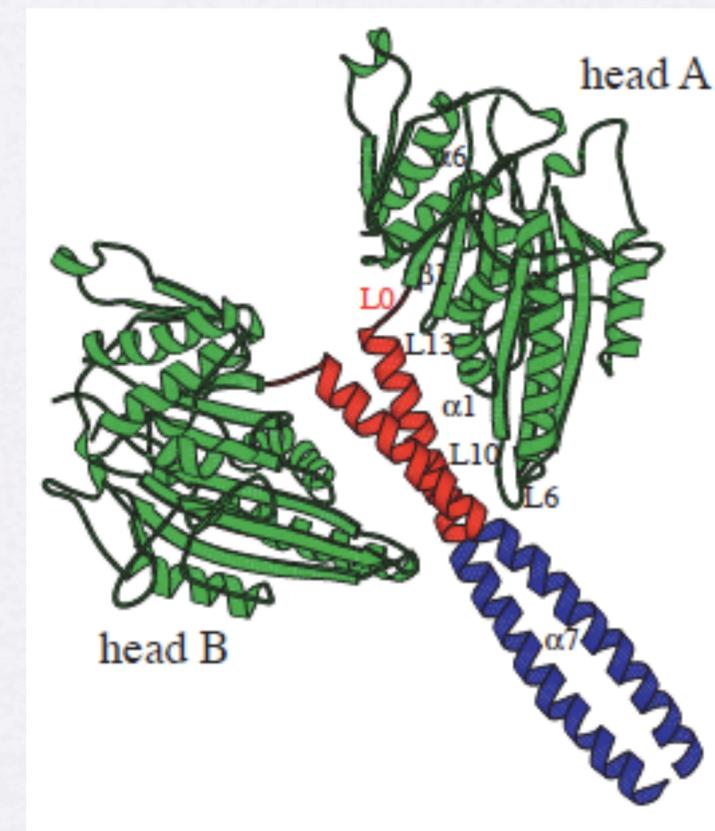
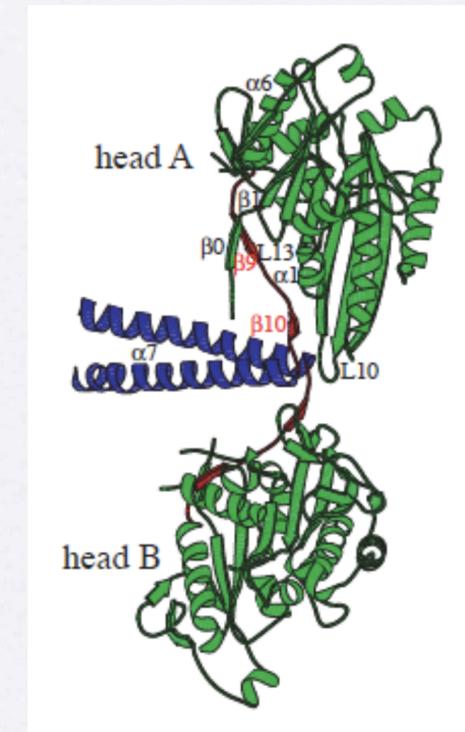
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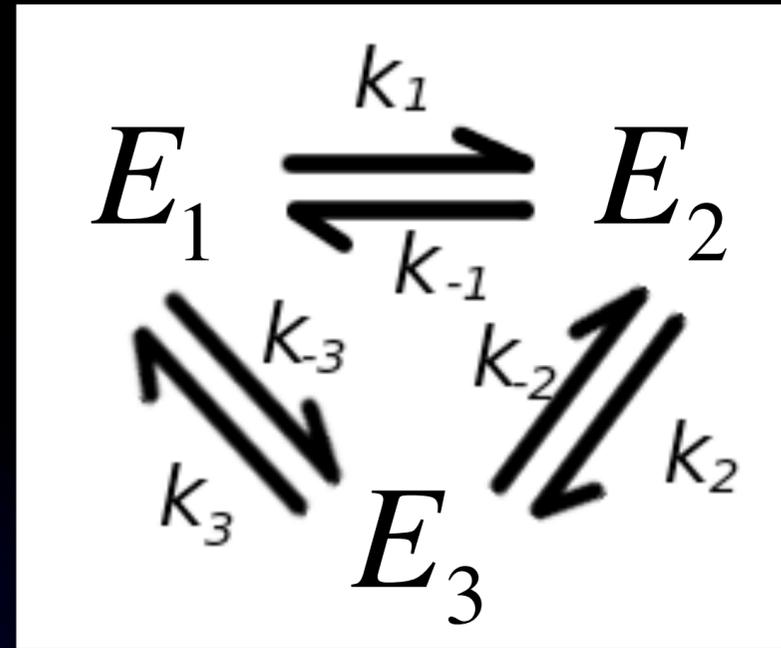
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Understanding biochemical cycle
(Microscopic rates and binding
constant of kinesin)

NECK LINKER DOCKING MODEL

Q: Is the head-neck linker docking model correct (and does it suffice to explain actual stepping)? Does kinesin undertake a conformational “power stroke”, or something like it (and if so, how large is it)?

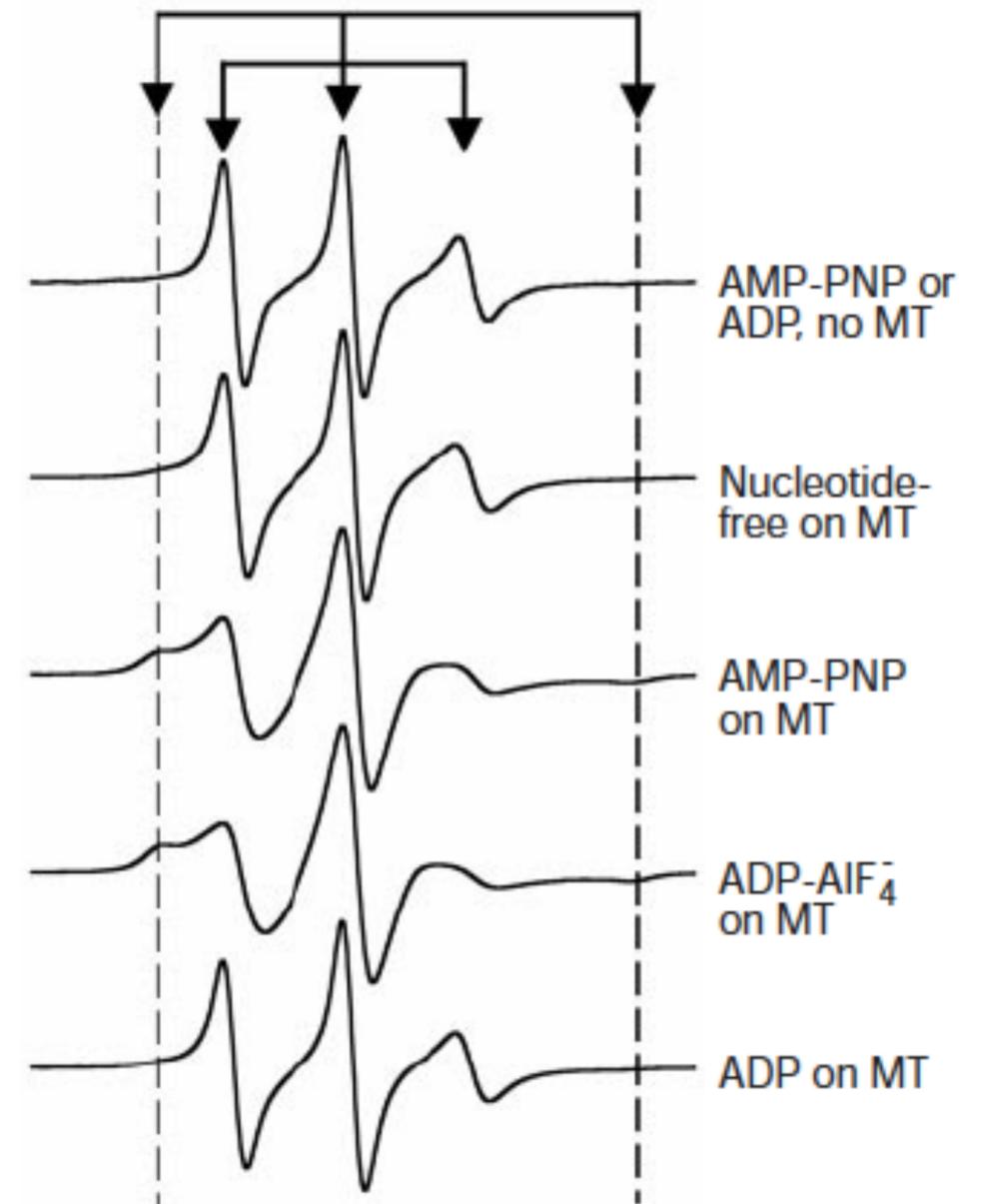
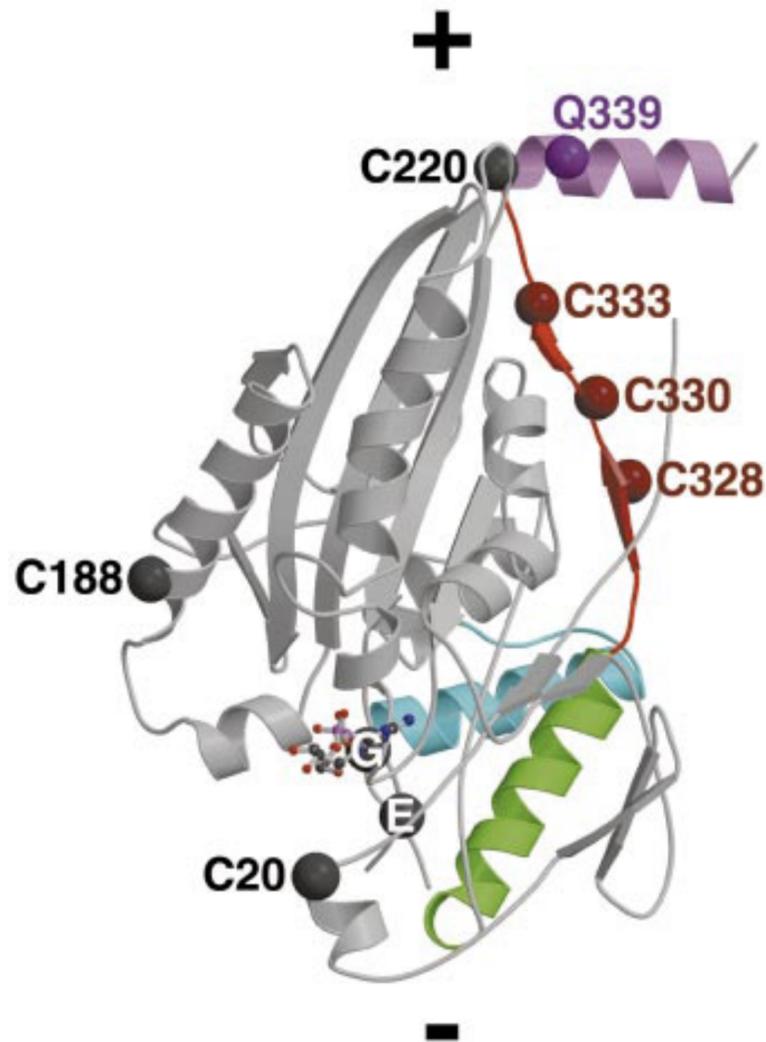
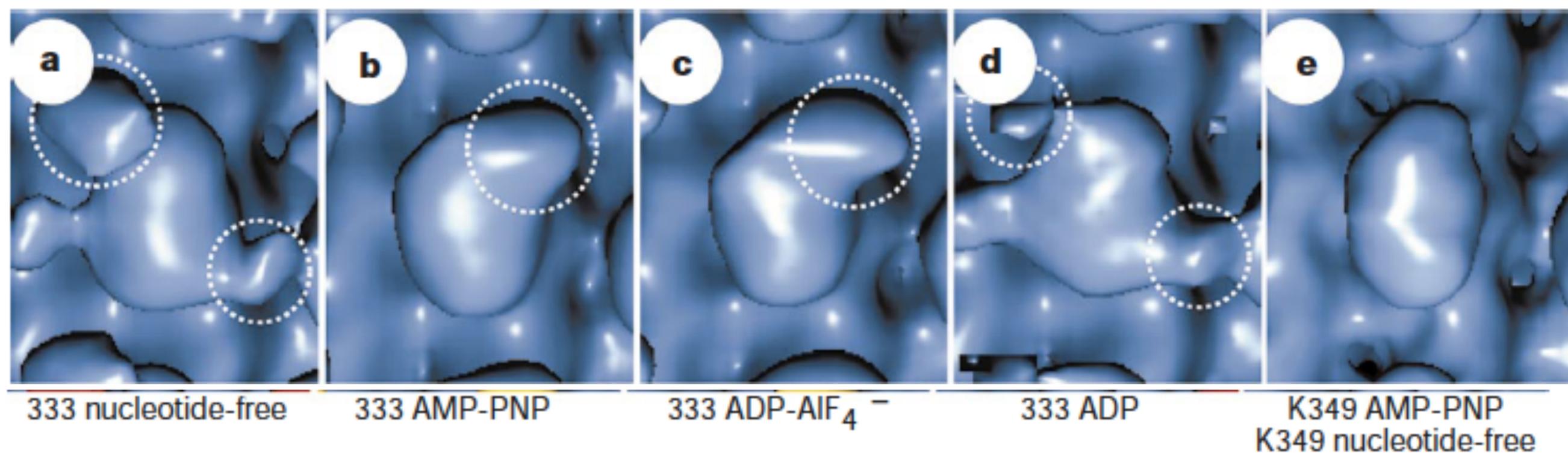
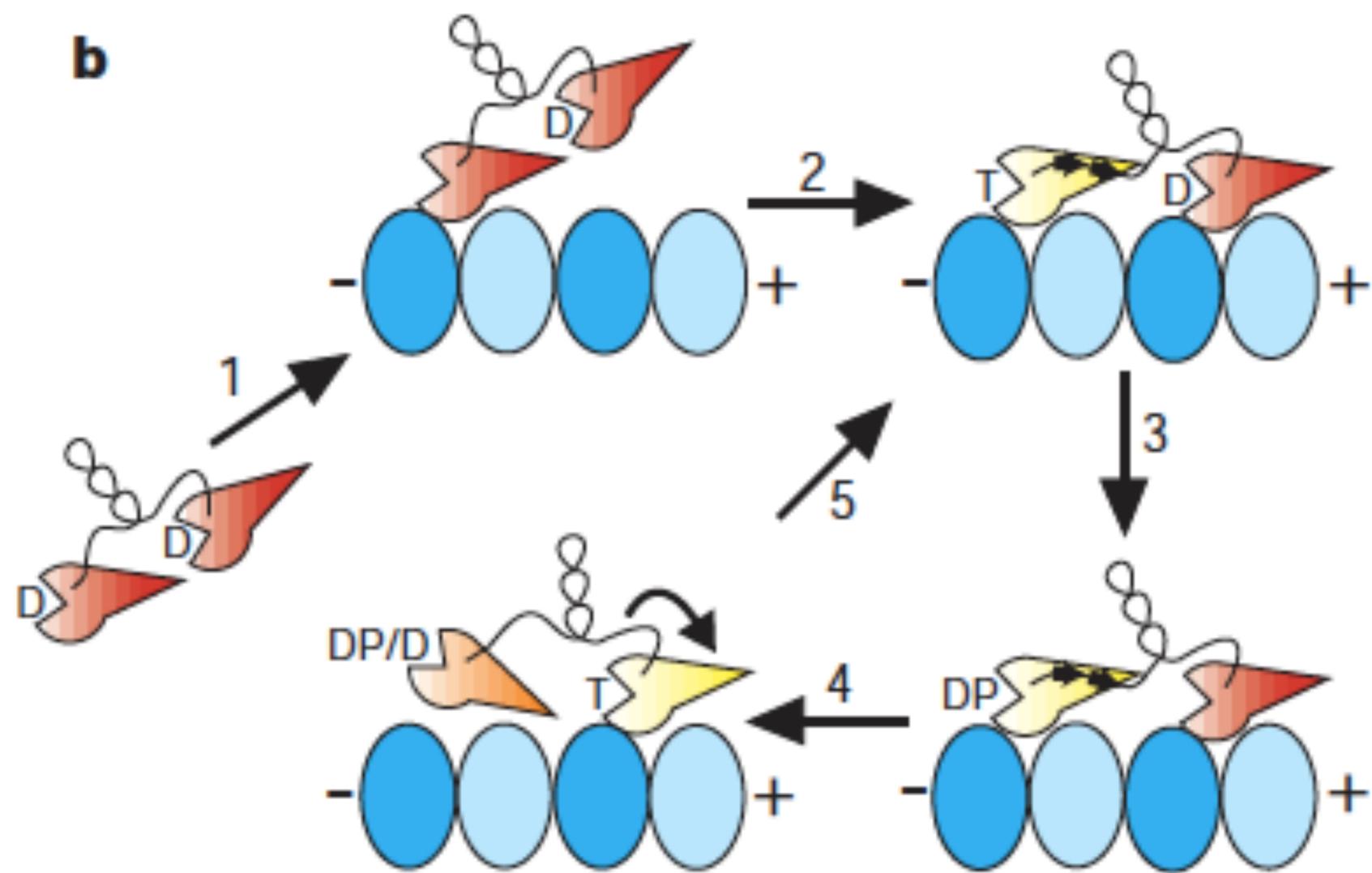


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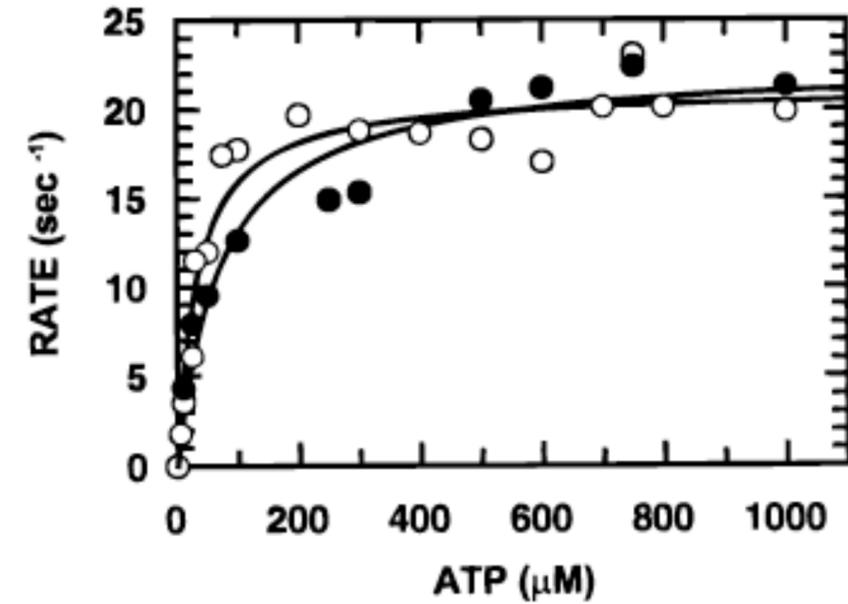
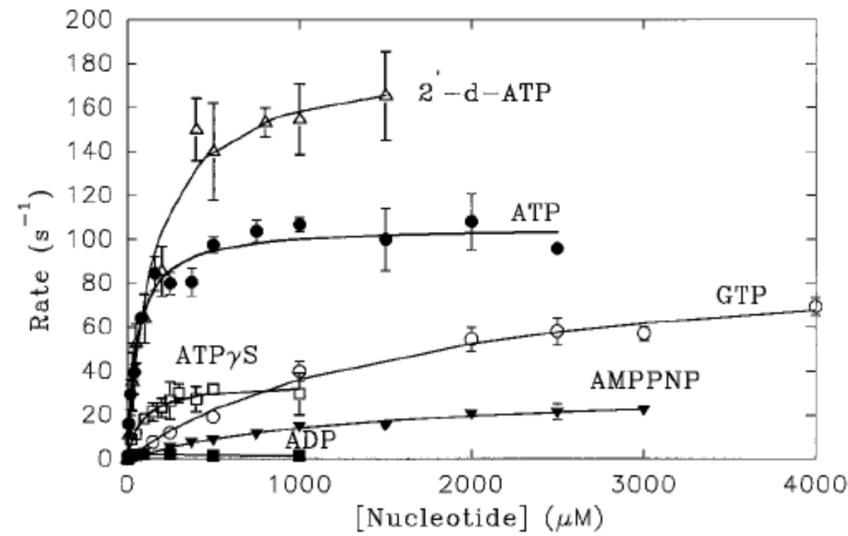
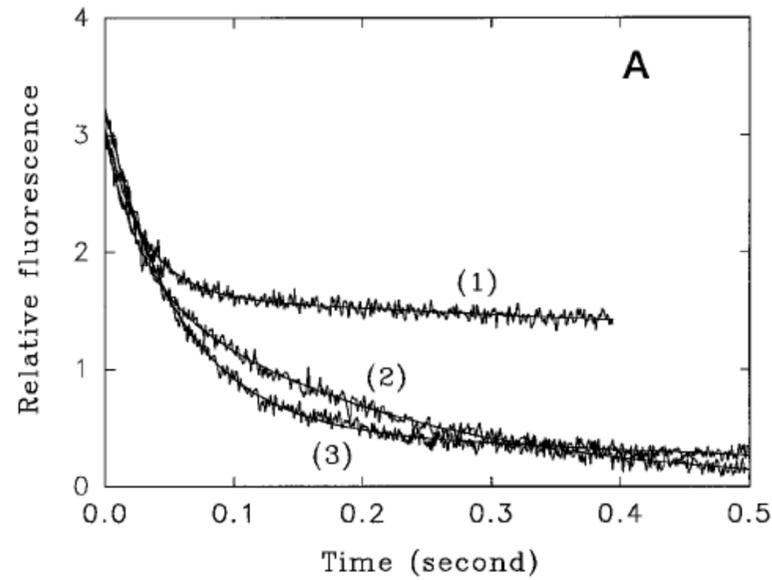
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Kinesin (K349–C220, C333)	Nucleotide	MT	Energy transfer (%)
Wild type	ADP	–	87.6 ± 3.3
	AMP-PNP	–	84.4 ± 0.2
	Nucleotide-free	+	76.4 ± 2.8
	AMP-PNP	+	93.4 ± 1.3





ADP dissociation rate



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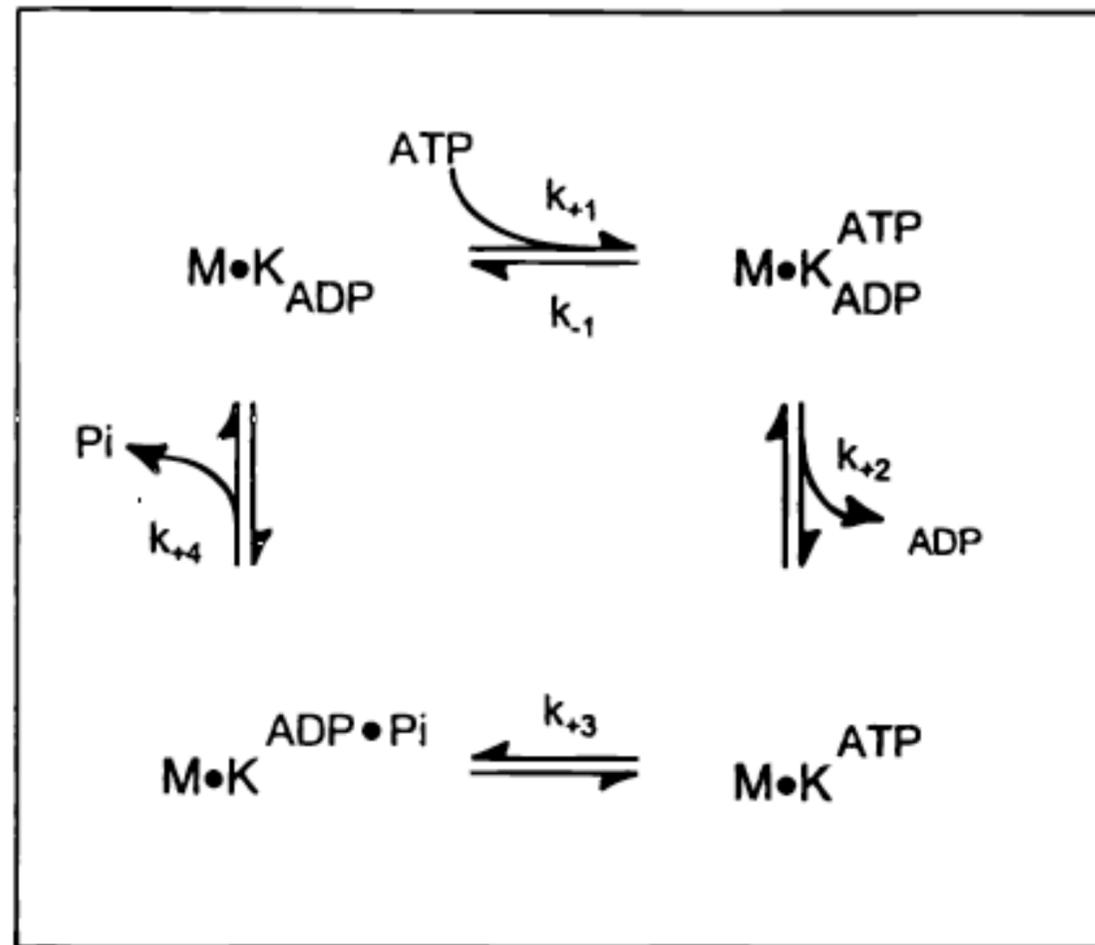


$$k = \frac{k_{cat} [ATP]}{K_M + [ATP]} = \frac{k_{cat} [ATP]}{\frac{k_1 + k_{cat}}{k_{-1}} + [ATP]}$$

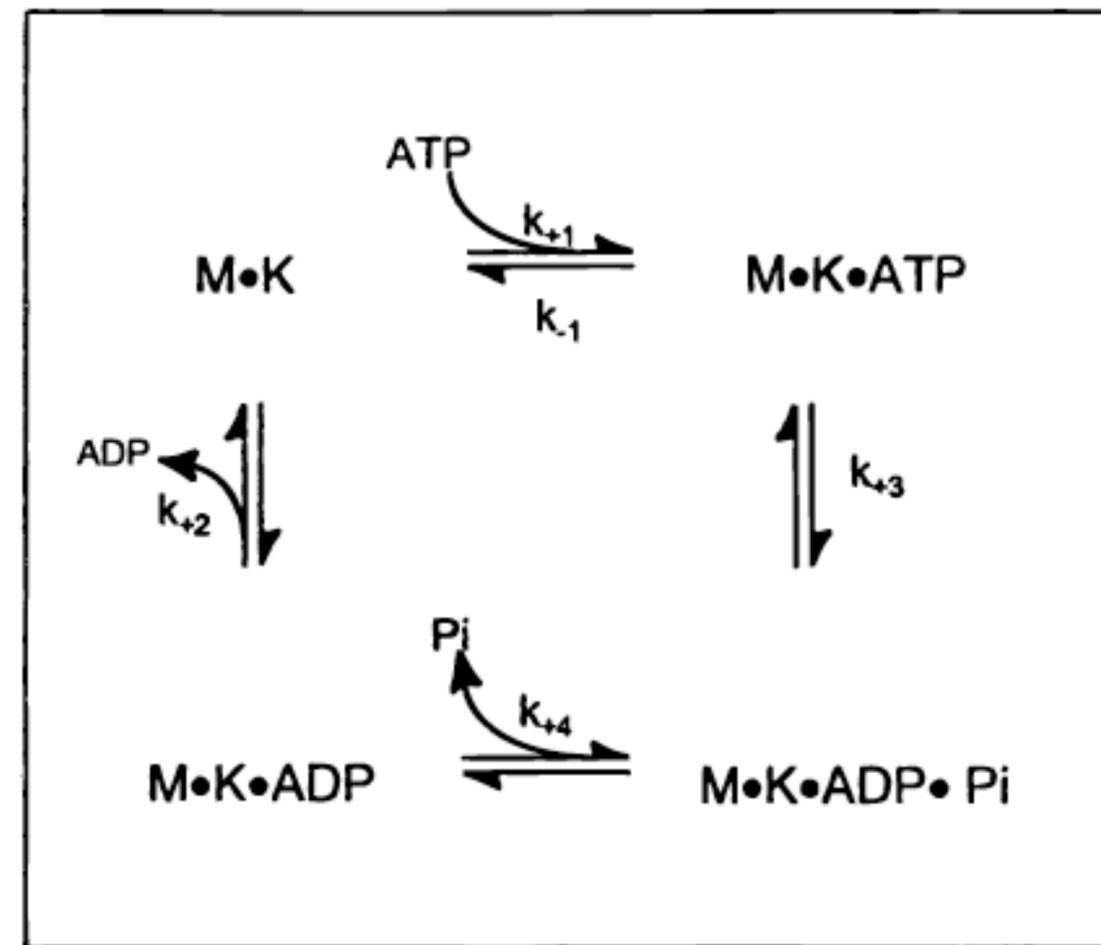
$$k_{cat}^{-1} = k_{hyd}^{-1} + k_{dPi}^{-1} + k_{dADP}^{-1}$$

- ★ ATP binding kinetics, thermodynamics
- ★ Pi release kinetics
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- ★ ADP release kinetics w or w/o MT
- ★ etc

Dimeric Kinesin



Monomeric Kinesin



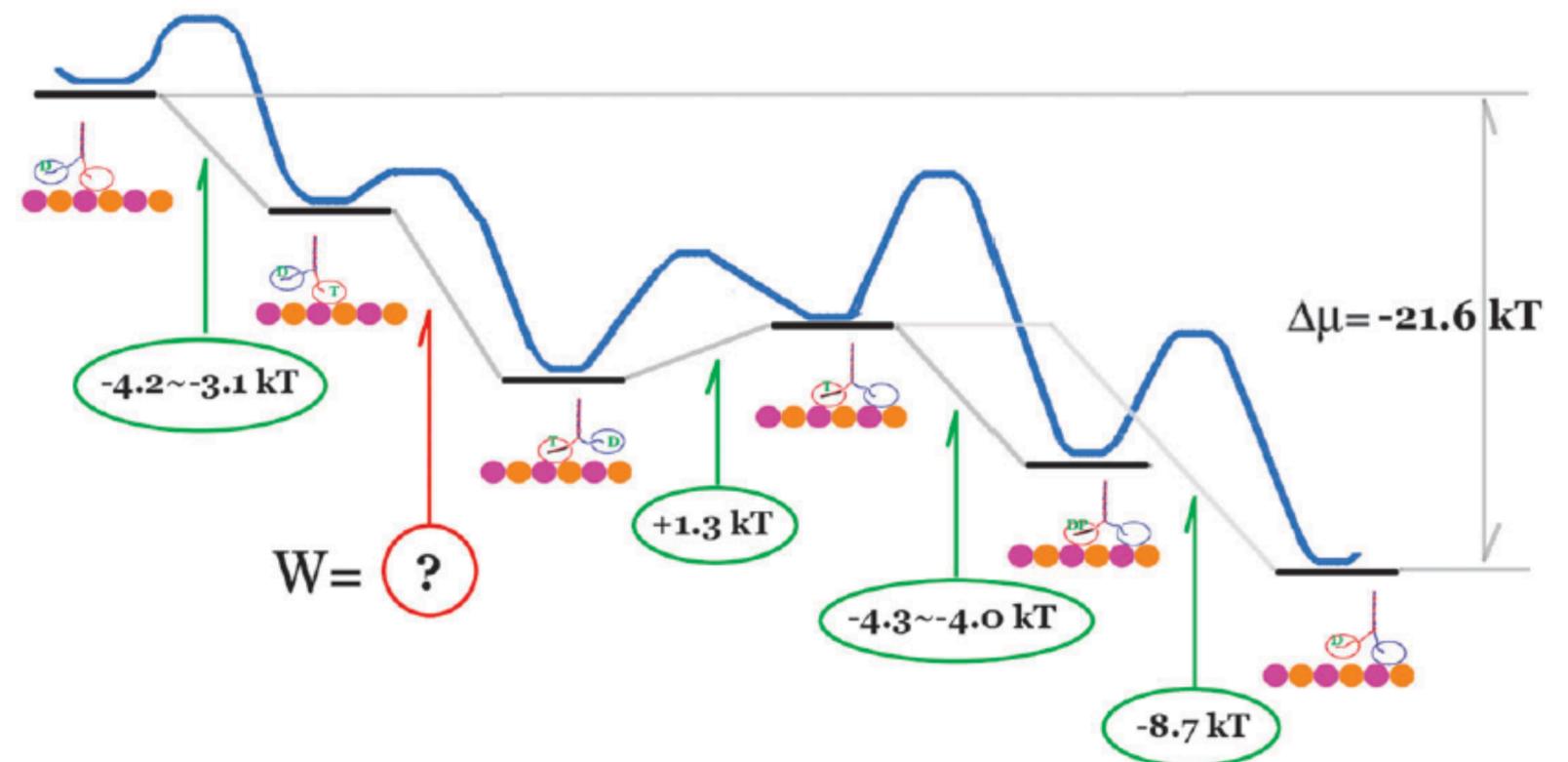
	k_{+1} ($\mu M^{-1} s^{-1}$)	k_{-1} (s^{-1})	k_2 (s^{-1})	k_3 (s^{-1})	k_4 (s^{-1})	k_{cat}^b (s^{-1})
K401	2	71	300	150	50	20
K341	20	200	300	> 300	80	80

^a The scheme depicts the steps in the ATPase pathway for monomeric and dimeric kinesin with rate constants defined in the table. For dimeric kinesin, one turnover of ATP requires one and one-half turns of the ATPase cycle shown. ^b Maximum steady-state rate of ATP hydrolysis per enzyme active site.

Table 2 Rate and equilibrium constants for the microscopic steps along the cycle

	Rate constant	Equilibrium constant
^a k_T^+ ($\equiv k_T$)	$k_T^o = 2.0 \pm 0.8 \mu\text{M}^{-1} \text{s}^{-1.5}$	$K_T = k_T^o/k_{-T} = (35 \mu\text{M})^{-1.5}$
^b k_T^- ($\equiv k_{-T}$)	$k_{-T} = 71 \pm 9 \text{s}^{-1.5}$	
^c k_S^+ ($\equiv k_S$)	$k_S \gtrsim (100 \mu\text{s})^{-1}$	No data
^d k_S^- ($\equiv k_{-S}$)		
^e k_{-D}^+ ($\equiv k_{-D}$)	$k_{-D[L]} = 75\text{--}100 \text{s}^{-1.7}$ $k_{-D[T]} = 1 \text{s}^{-1.7}$	$K_{D[L]} = k_D^o/k_{-D} = 5 \times 10^4 \text{M}^{-1.7}$ $K_{D[T]} = k_D^o/k_{-D} = 5 \times 10^6 \text{M}^{-1.7}$
^f k_{-D}^- ($\equiv k_D$)	No data	
^g k_h^+ ($\equiv k_h$)	$k_h > 100 \pm 30 \text{s}^{-1.3}$	$K_h < 39$
^h k_h^- ($\equiv k_{-h}$)	$k_{-h} = 1.3 \text{s}^{-1}$	
ⁱ k_{-P}^+ ($\equiv k_{-P}$)	$k_{-P} = 50 \text{s}^{-1}$	No data
^j k_{-P}^- ($\equiv k_P$)	No data	
^k $k_{h,-P}$	$k_{h,-P} = 100\text{--}300 \text{s}^{-1}$ $k_{-h,-P} = 34 \text{M}^{-1} \text{s}^{-1.2}$	$K_{h,-P} = 200 \text{s}^{-1}/34 \text{M}^{-1} \text{s}^{-1} = 6 \text{M}^2$

^a Bi-molecular rate constant for ATP binding to the nucleotide free kinesin head. ^b Rate constant for ATP dissociation from the ATP bound kinesin head. ^c Rate constant for kinesin stepping. ^d Rate constant for kinesin backstepping. ^e Rate constant for ADP dissociation. ^f Rate constant for ADP re-binding. ^g Rate constant for hydrolysis at the catalytic site. The free energy change for ATP hydrolysis $\text{ATP} \rightleftharpoons \text{ADP} + \text{P}_i$ under standard aqueous conditions (aq., 1 atm, 25 °C) is $\Delta\mu^o = -12 k_B T$. ^h Rate constant for ATP synthesis. ⁱ Rate constant for phosphate dissociation. ^j Rate constant for phosphate re-binding. ^k Rate constant for hydrolysis followed by phosphate release.

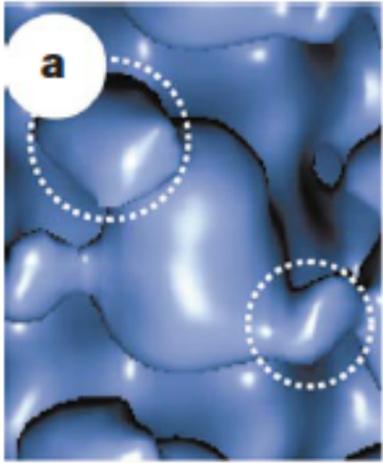


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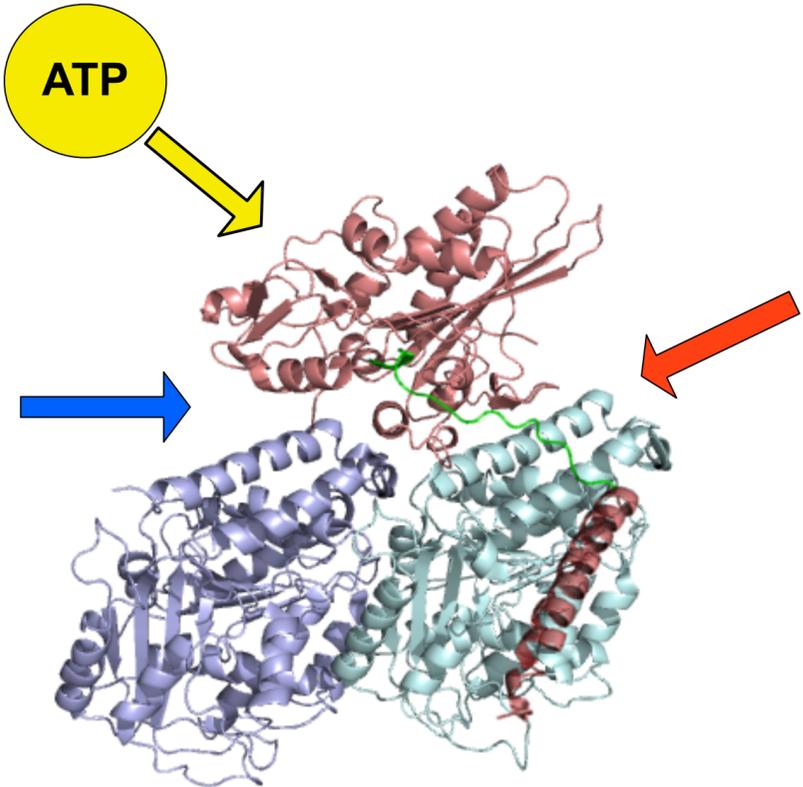


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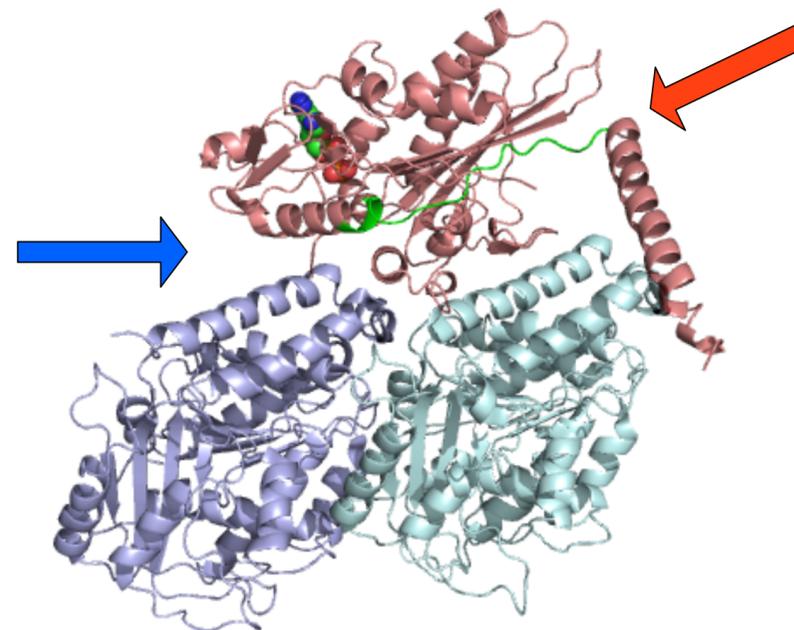
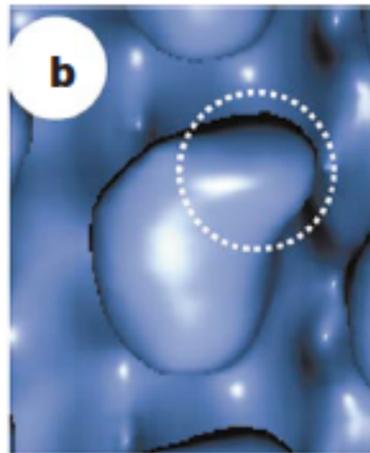
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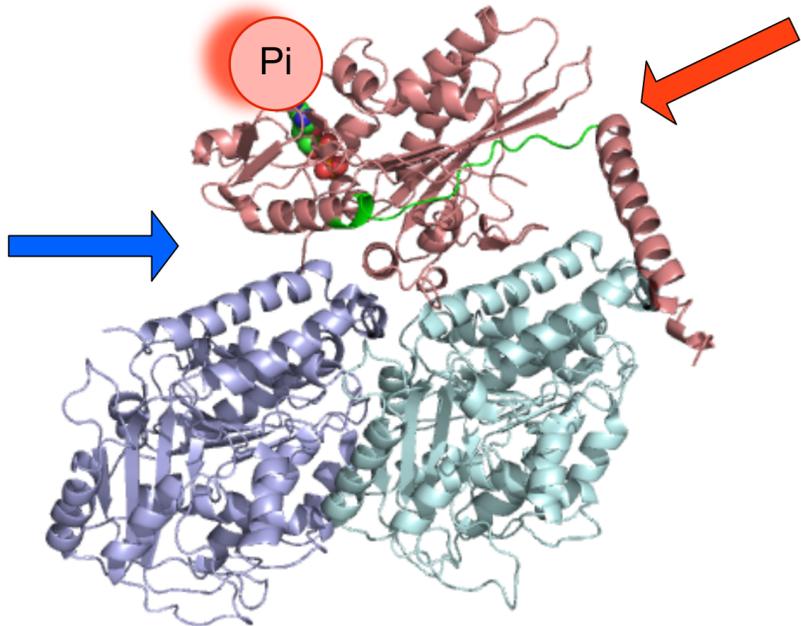
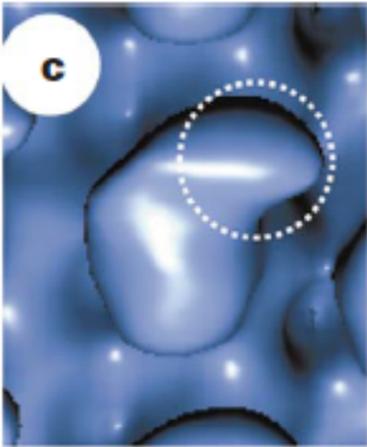
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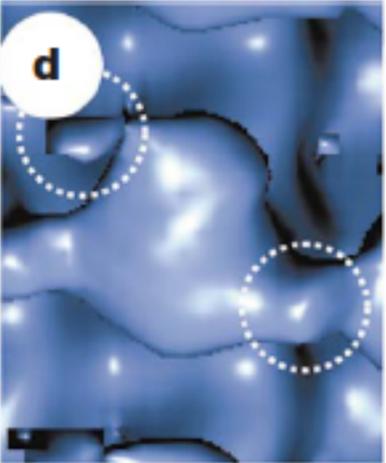
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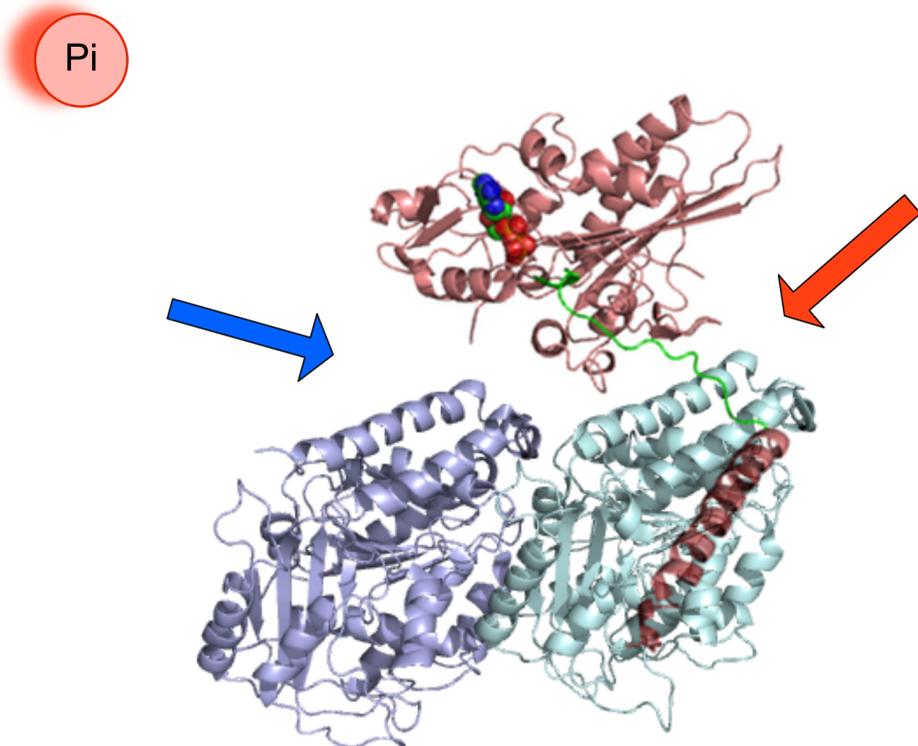
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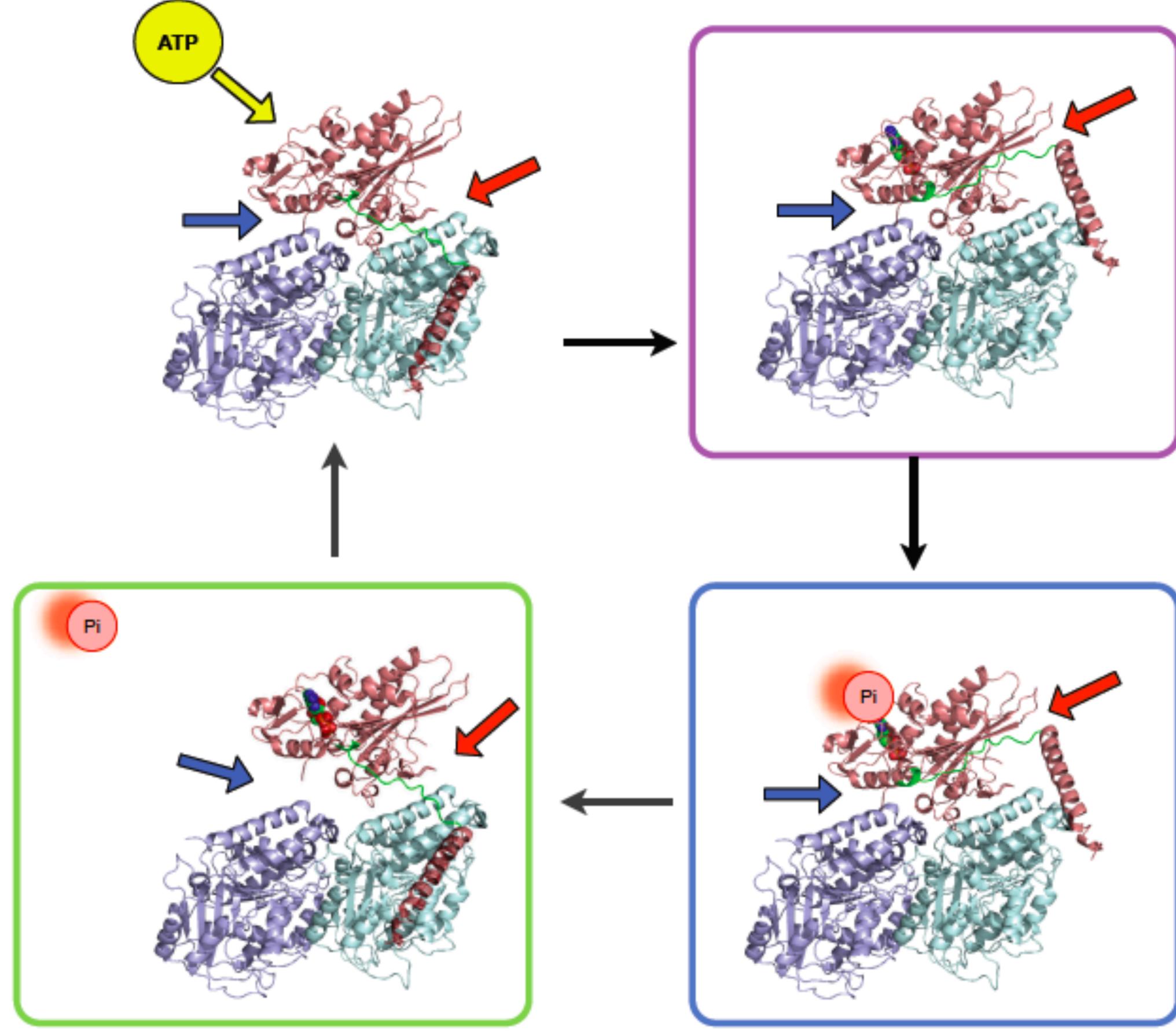


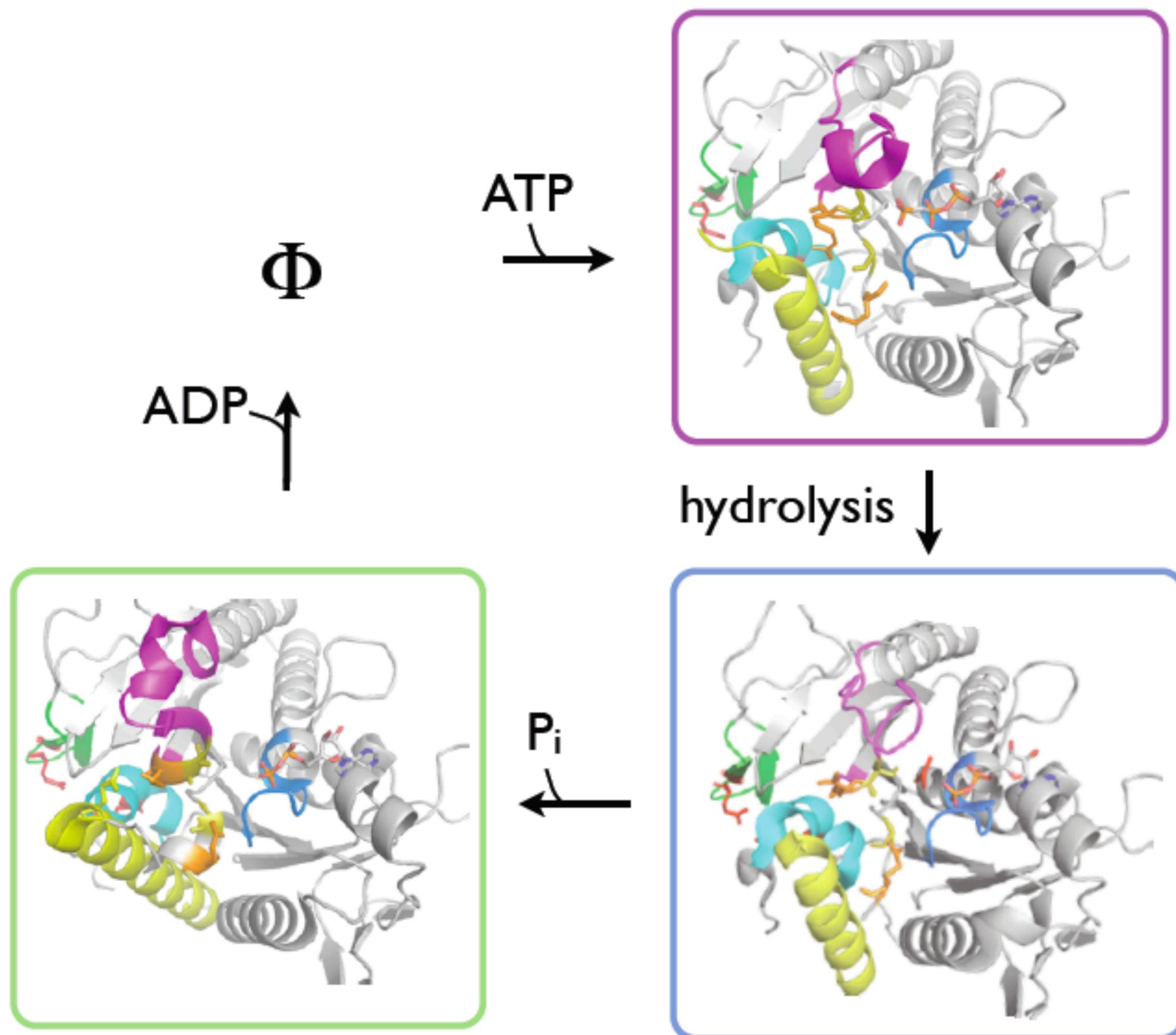
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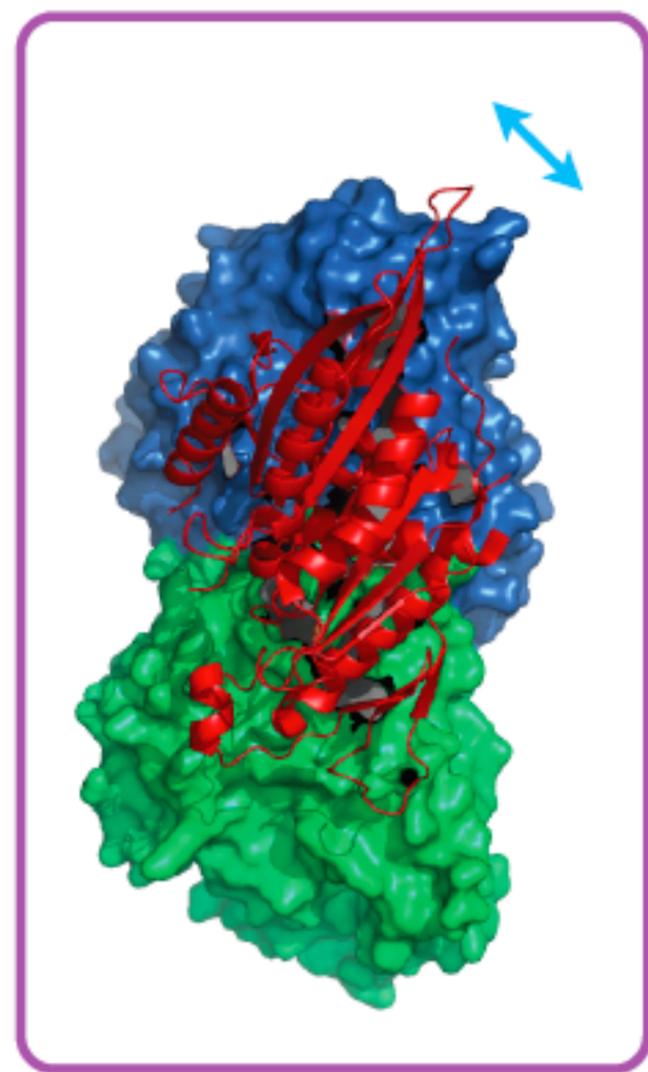


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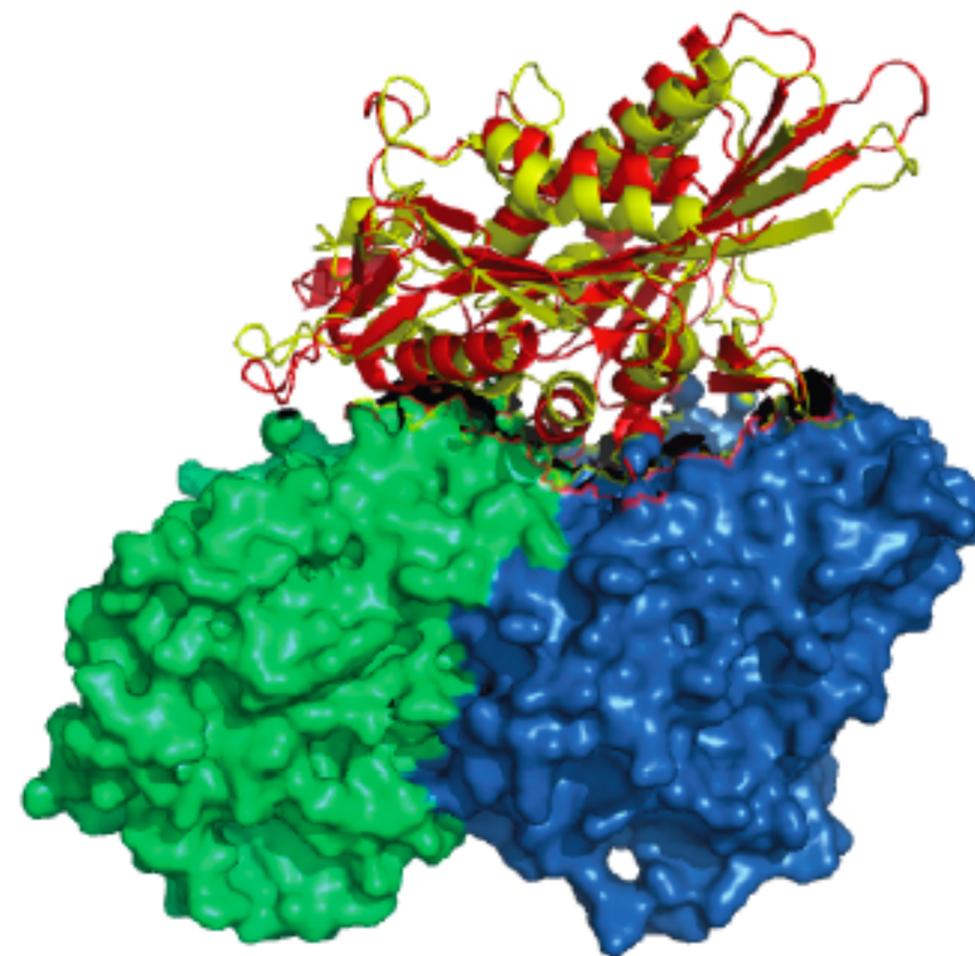




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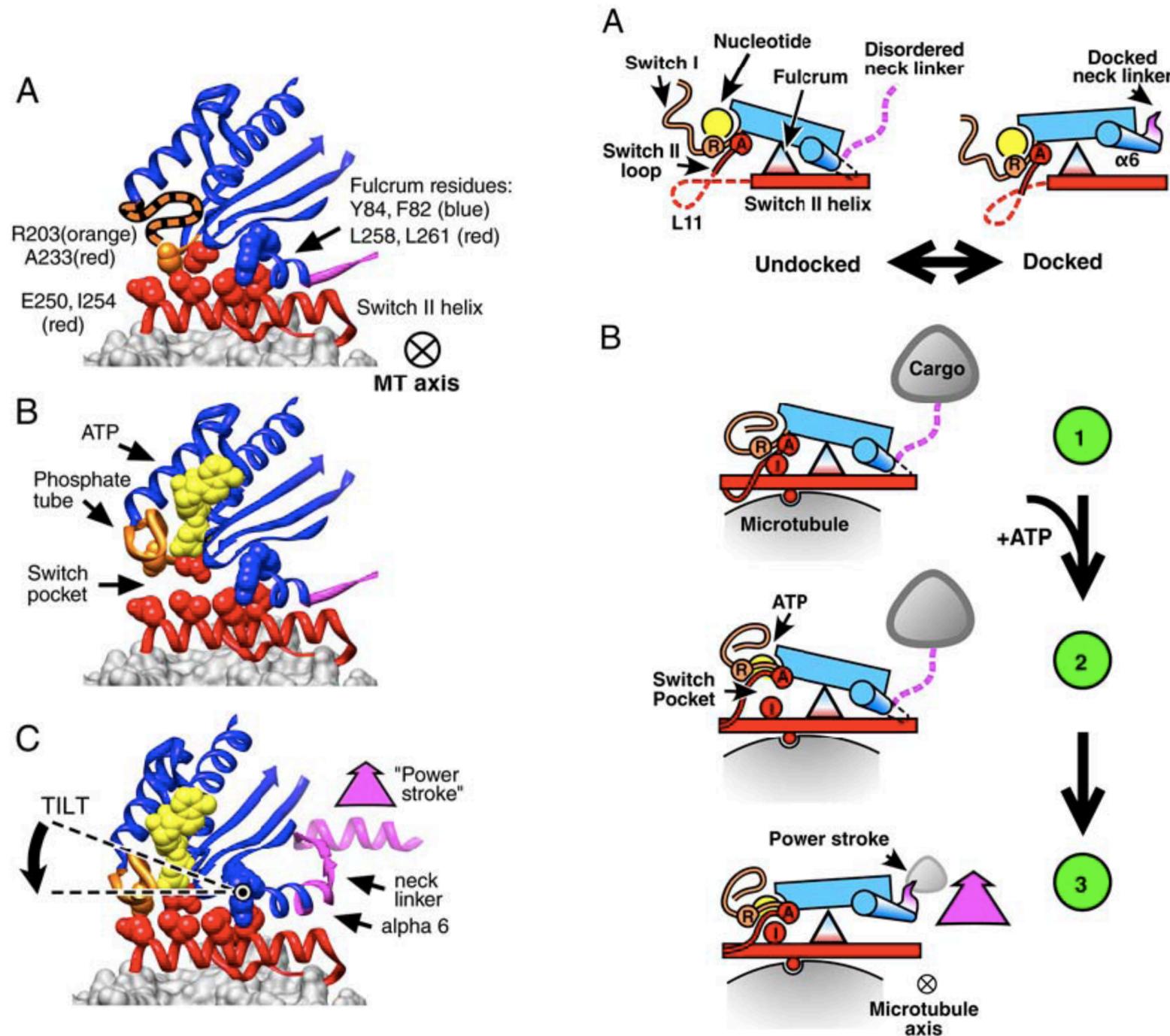
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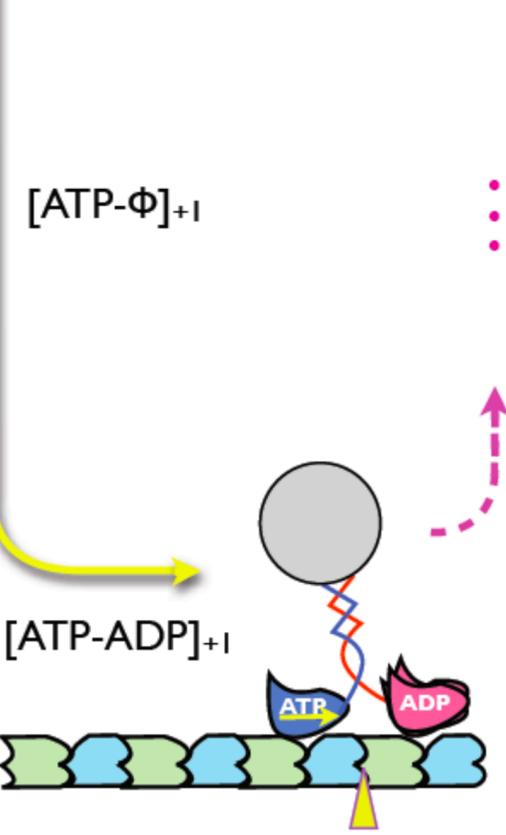
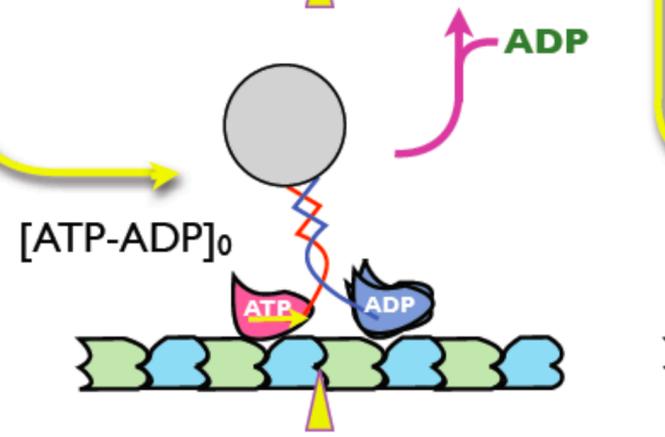
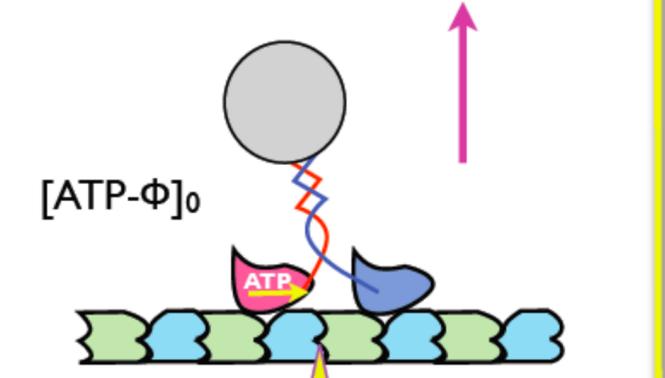
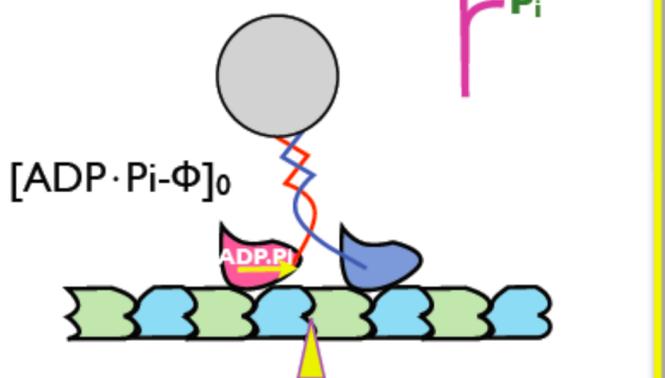
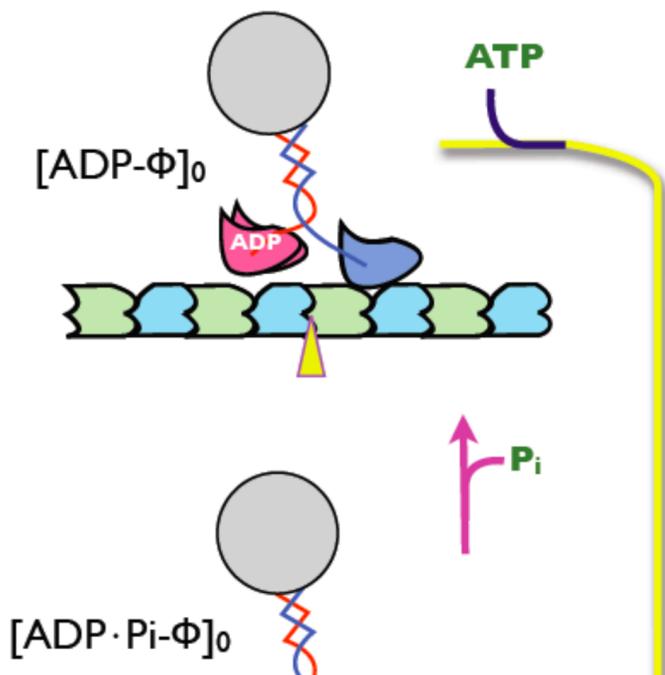
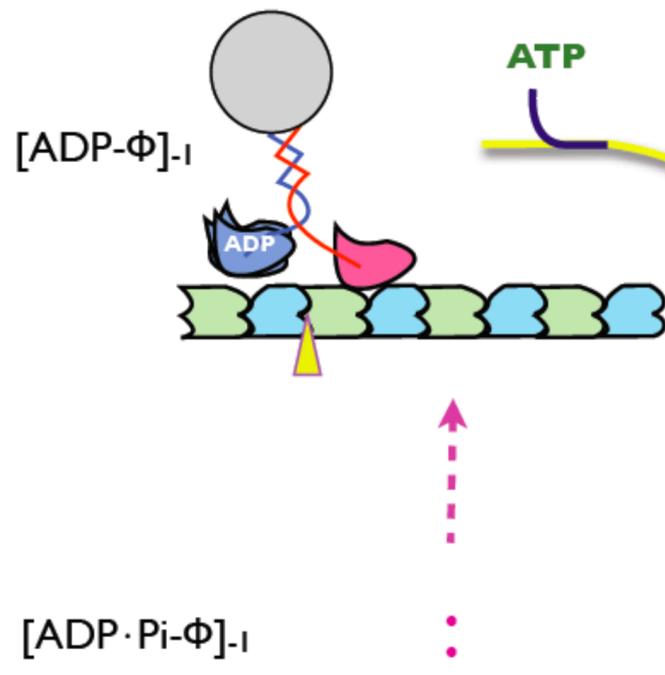
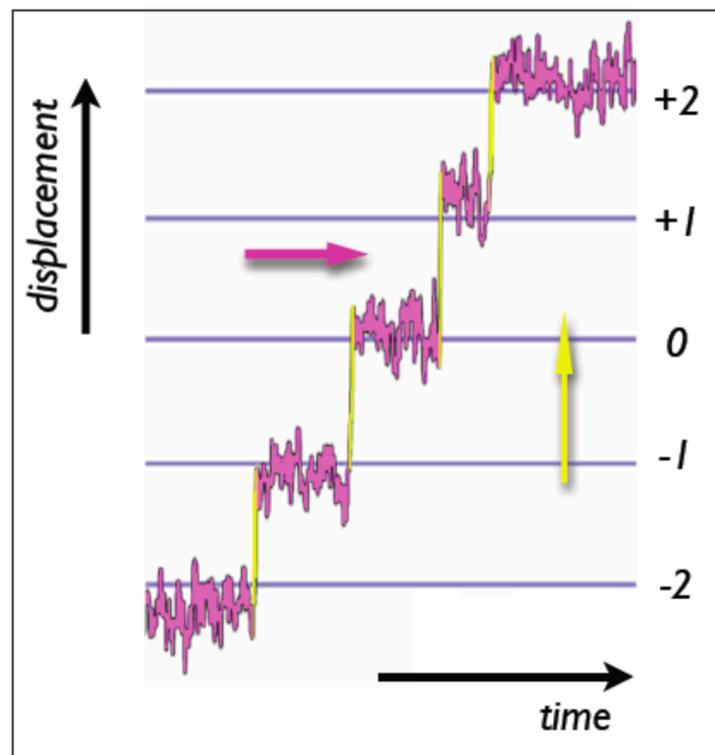


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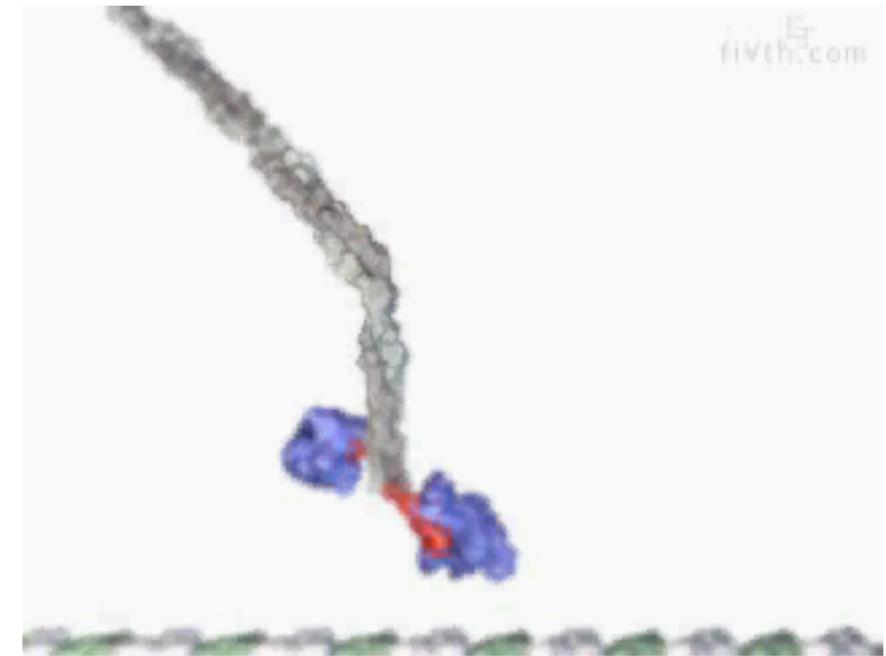
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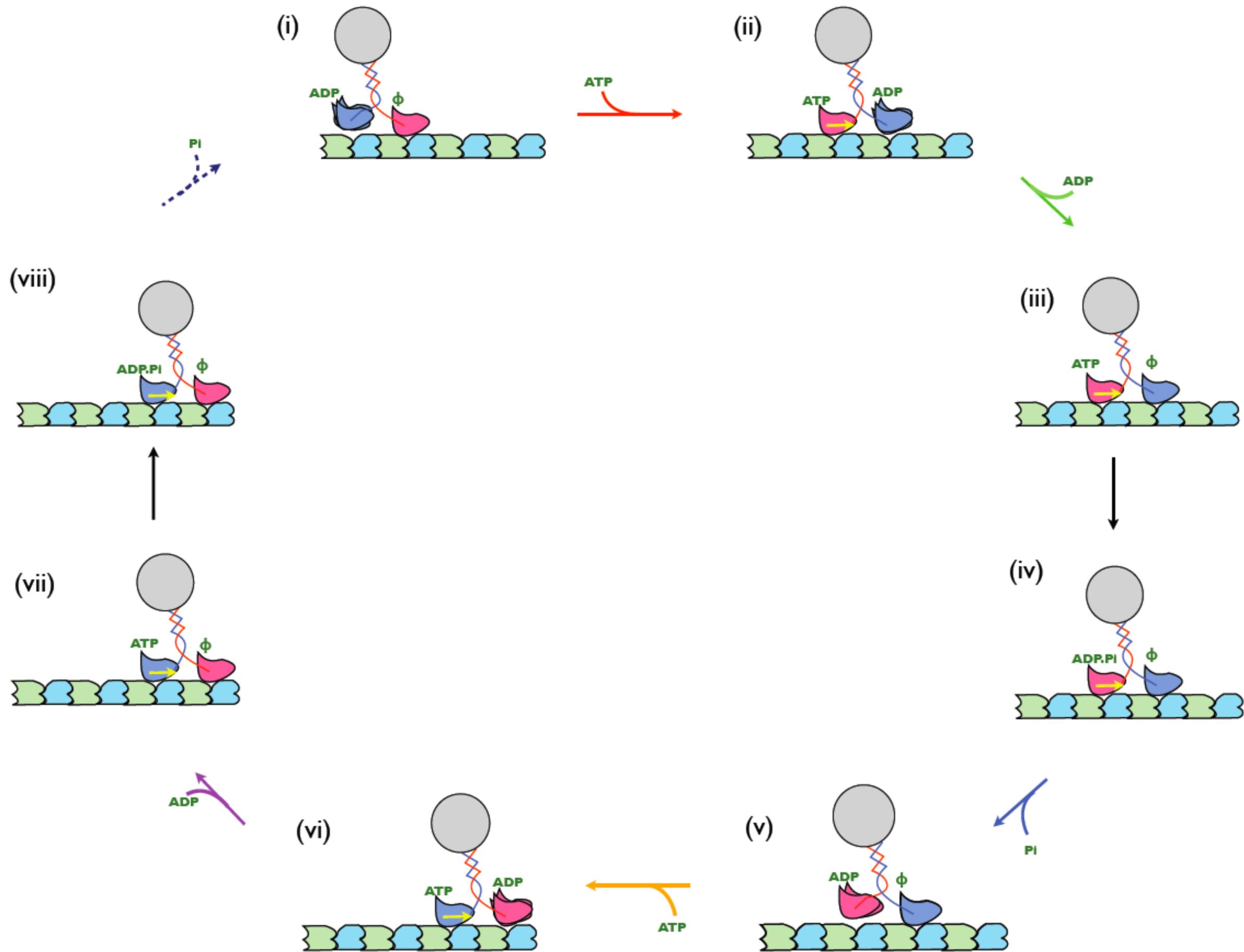
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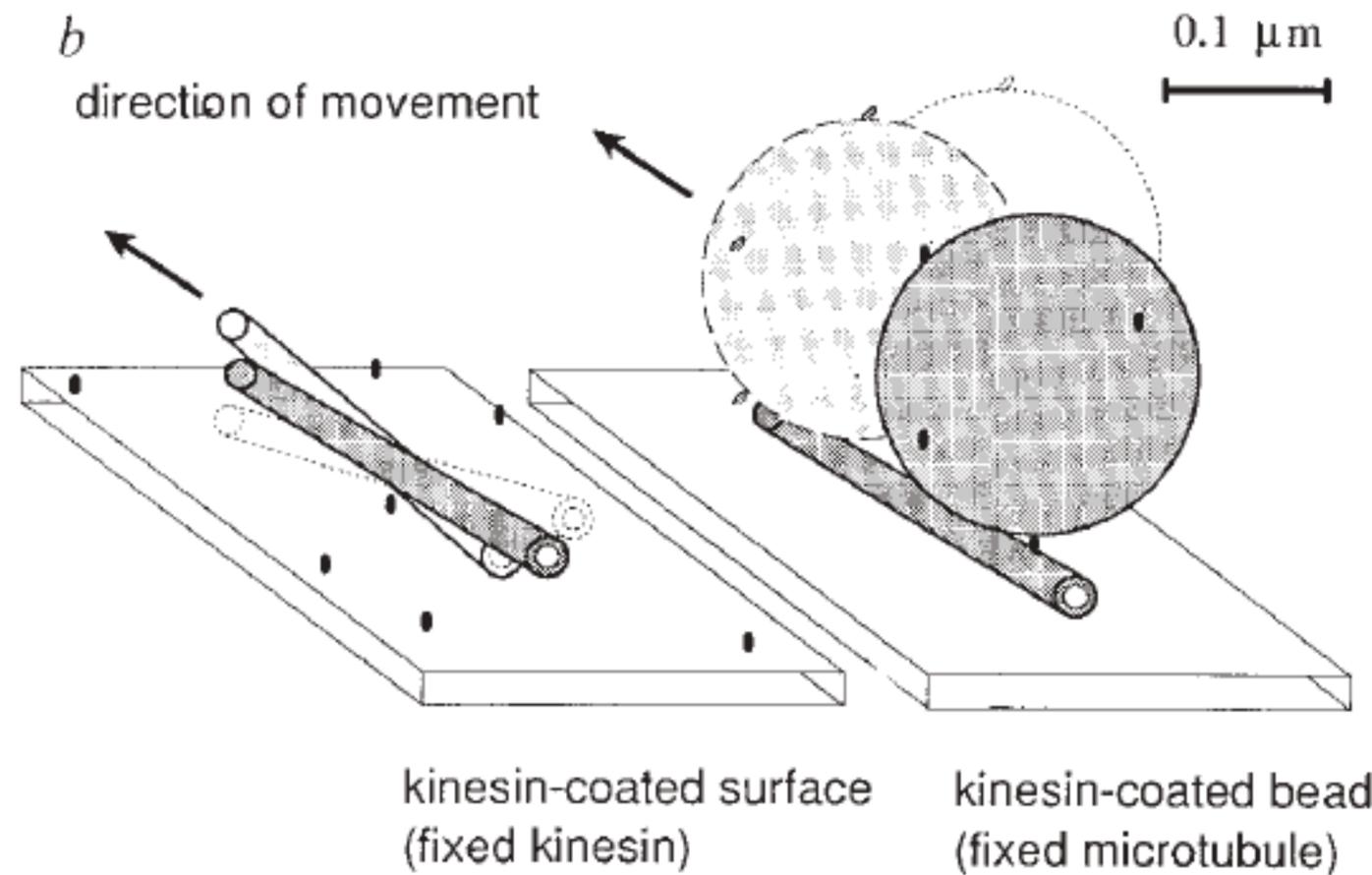




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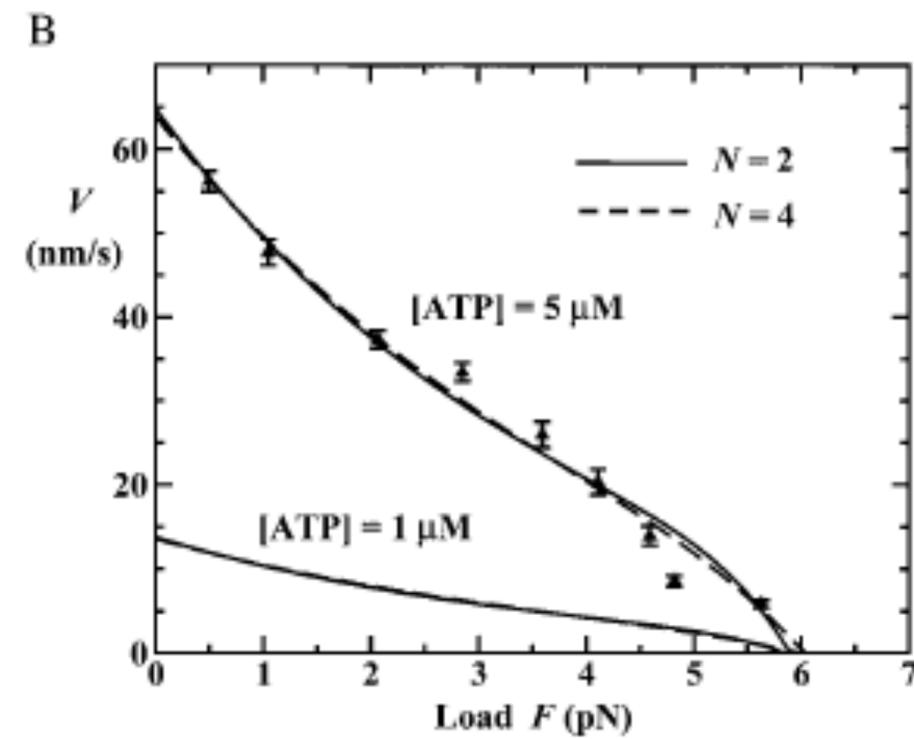
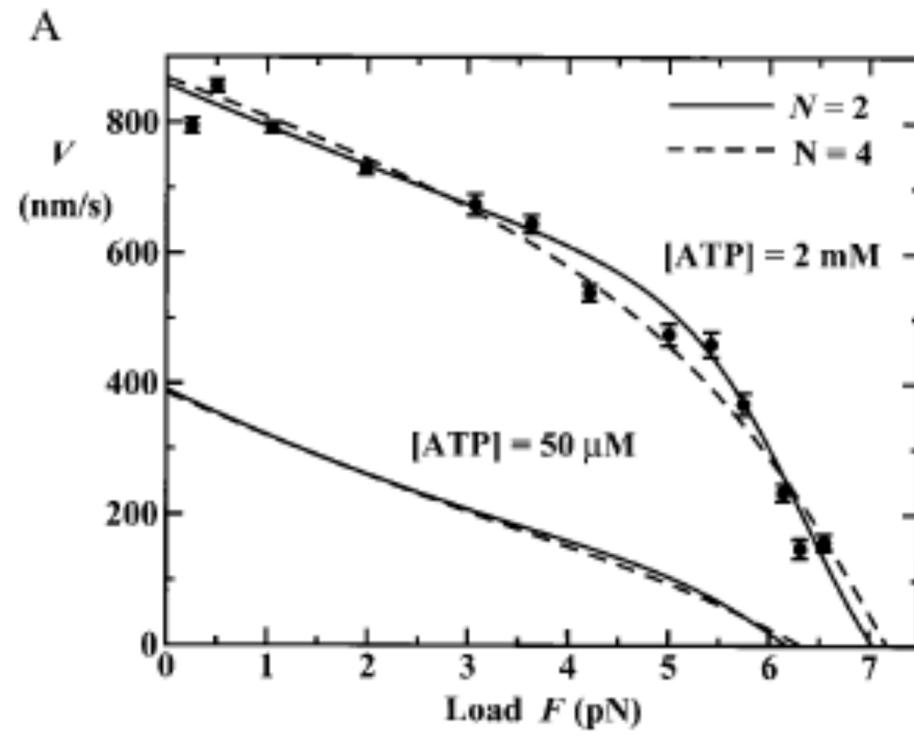
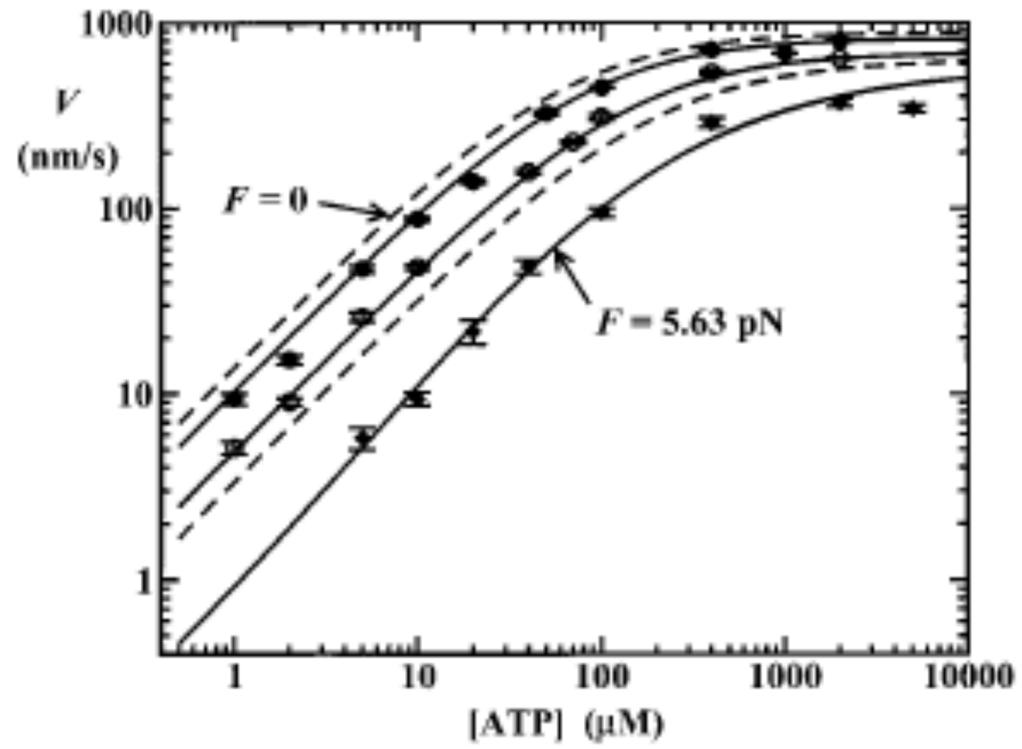


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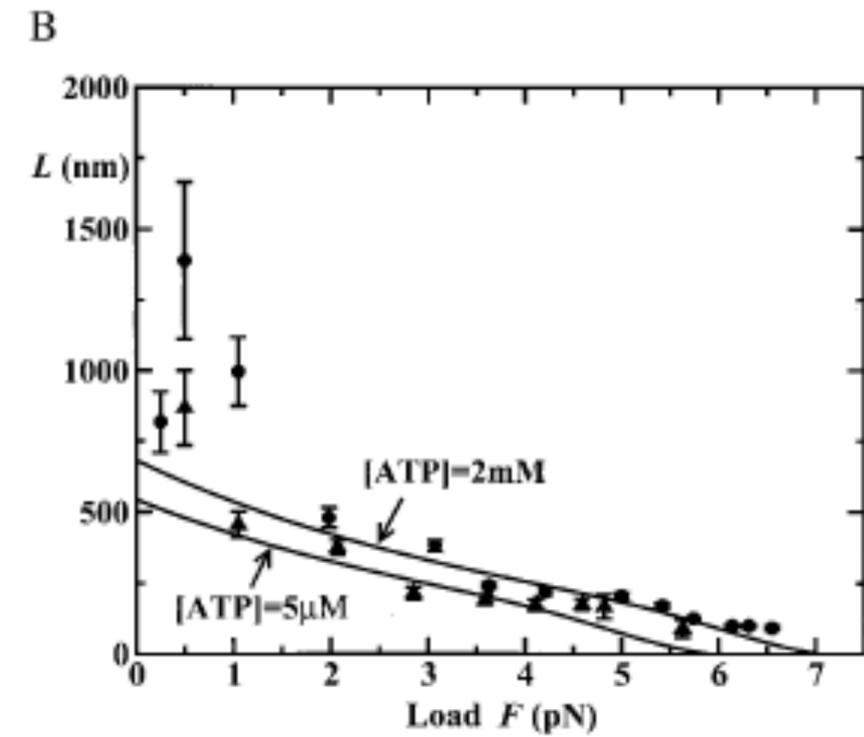
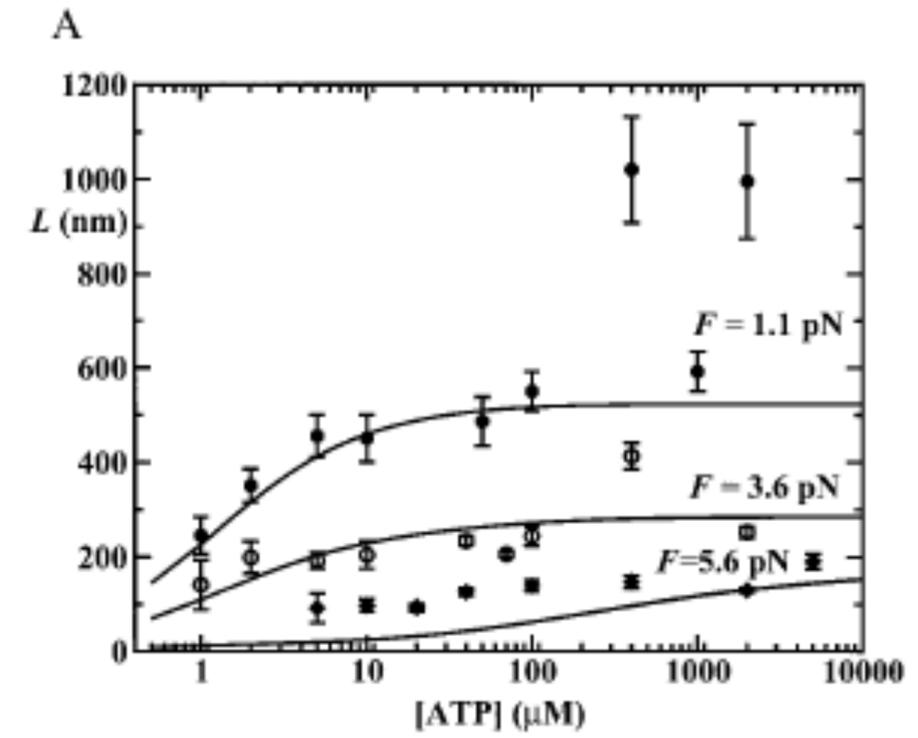
Bead assay

Monitor the response of kinesin motors under **ATP concentration** and/or **force perturbation**

Motor Velocity



Run Length



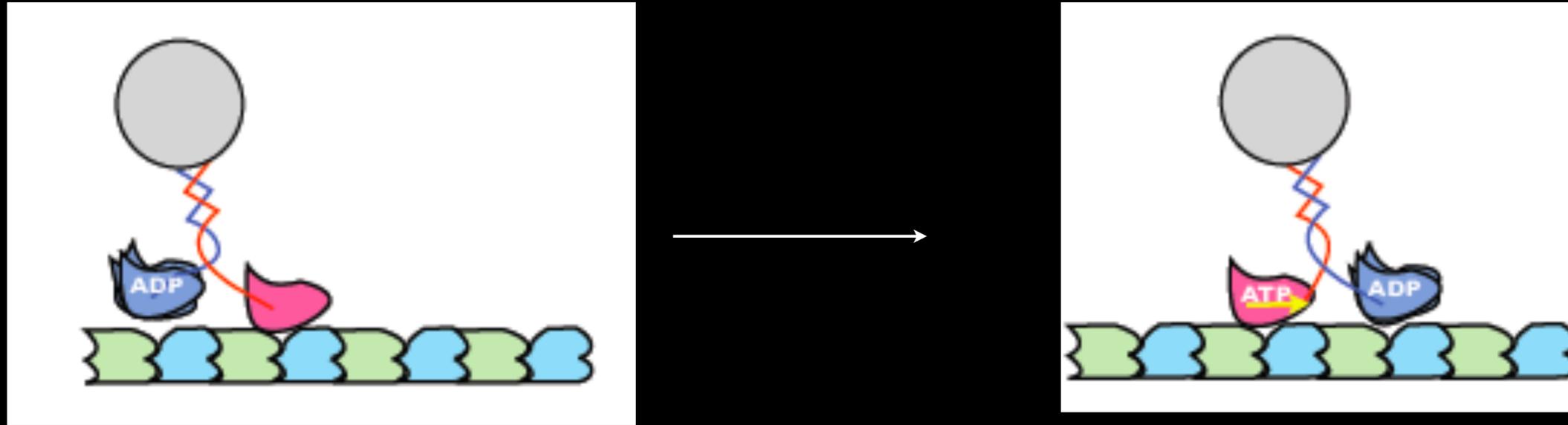
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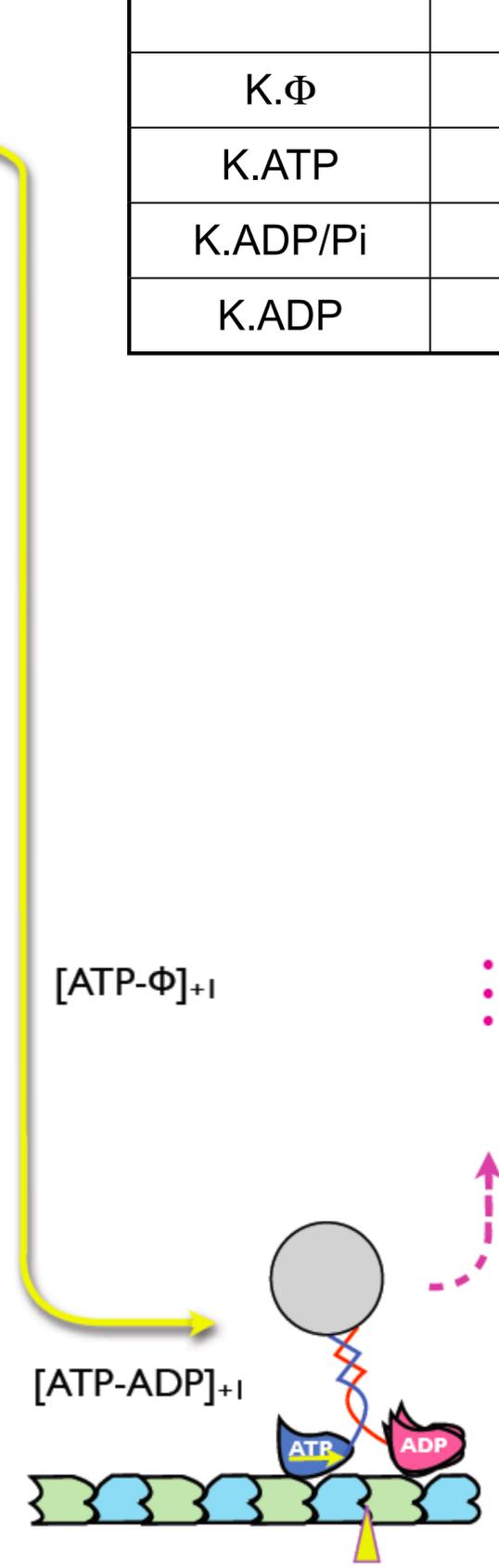
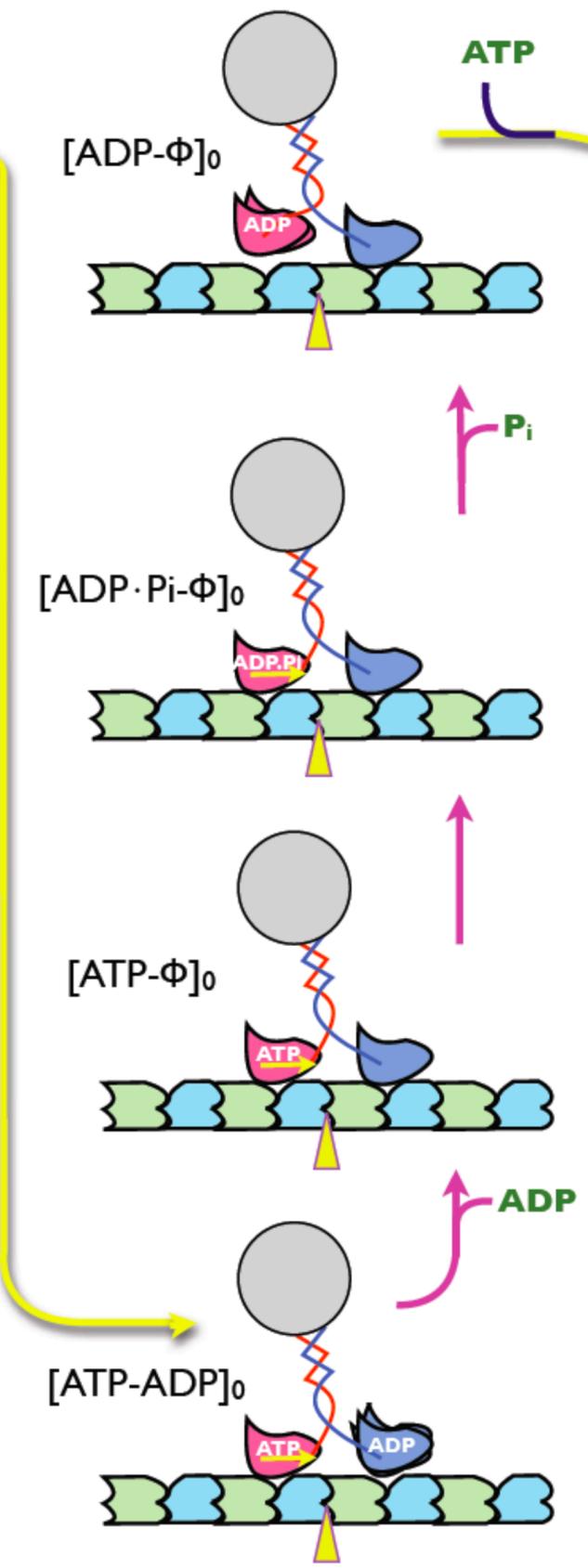
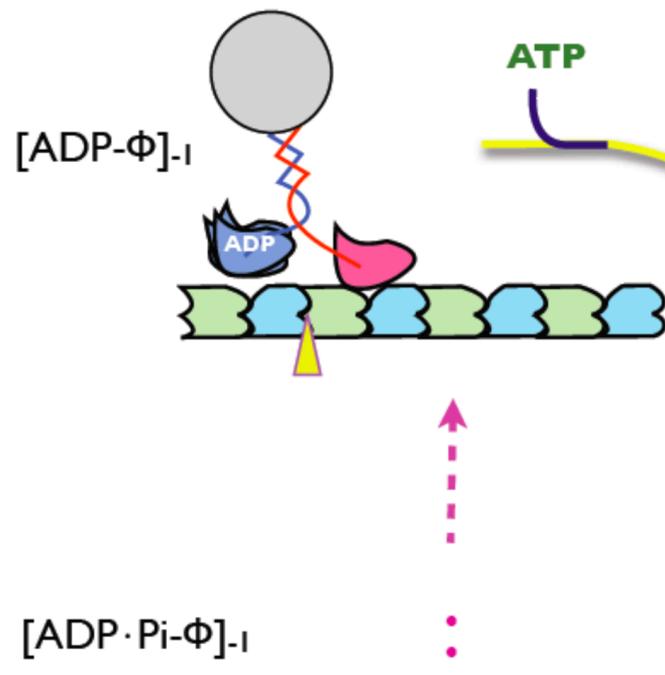
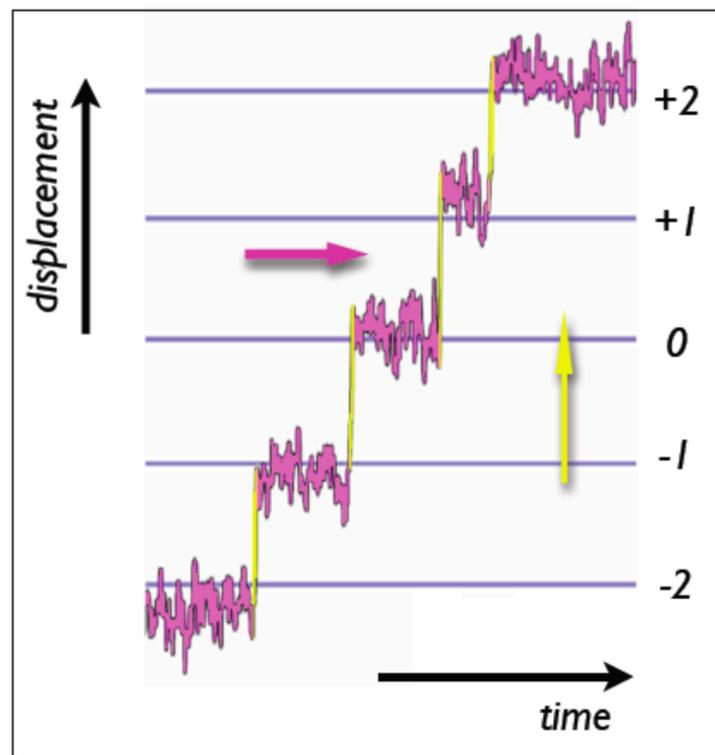
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- Conversely, when kinesin is sped up by an **assisting force**, is it going through its normal biochemical cycle or by some other pathway ?
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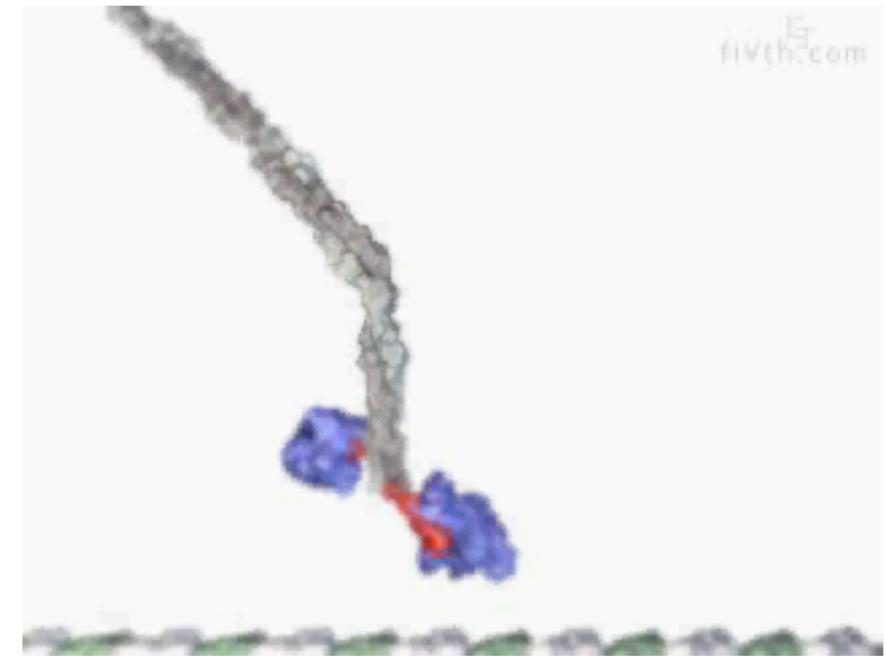
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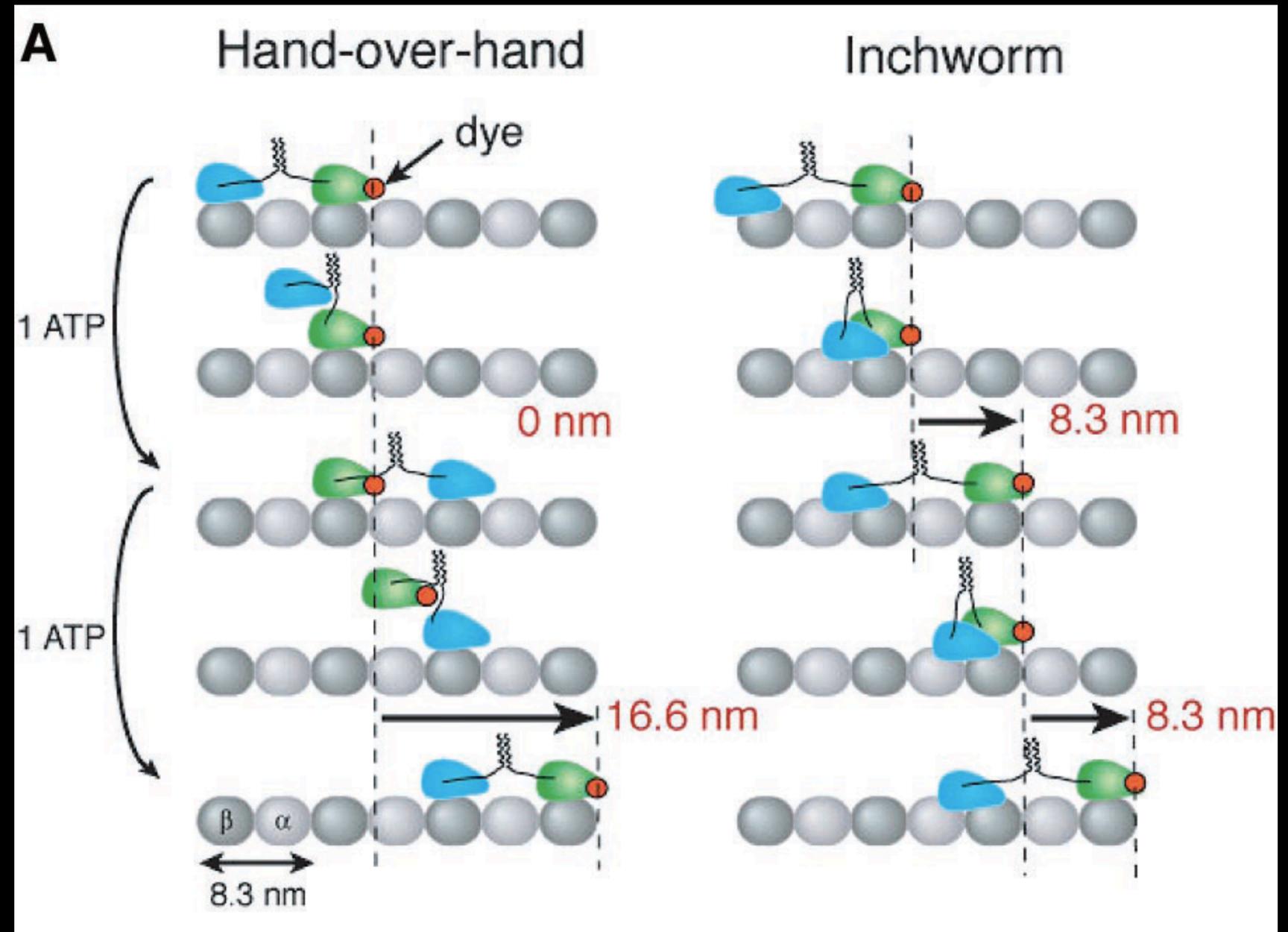
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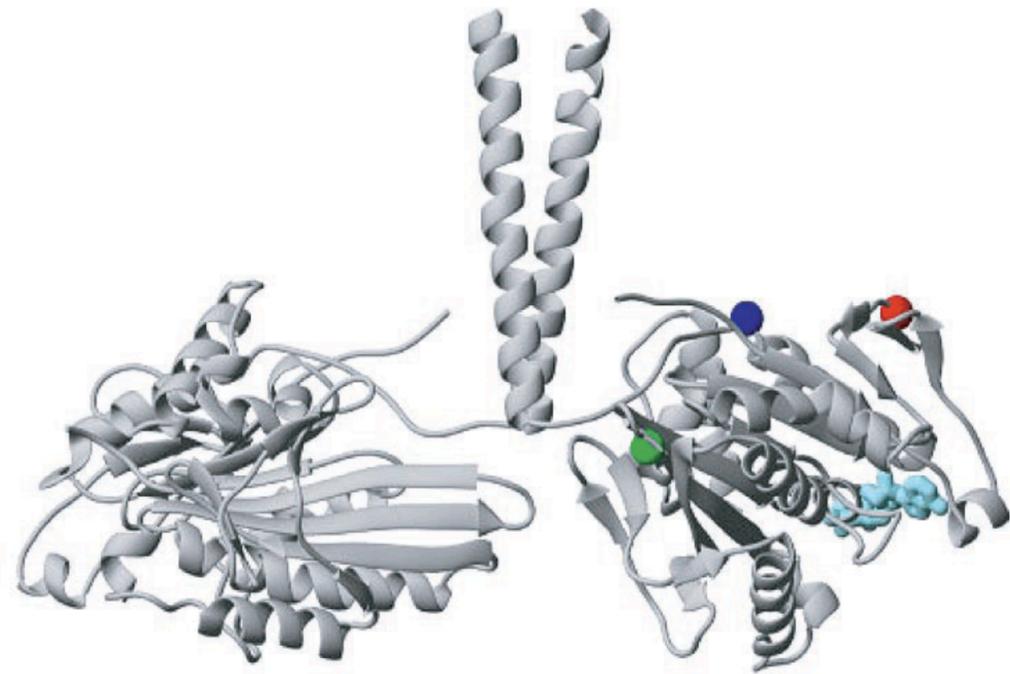


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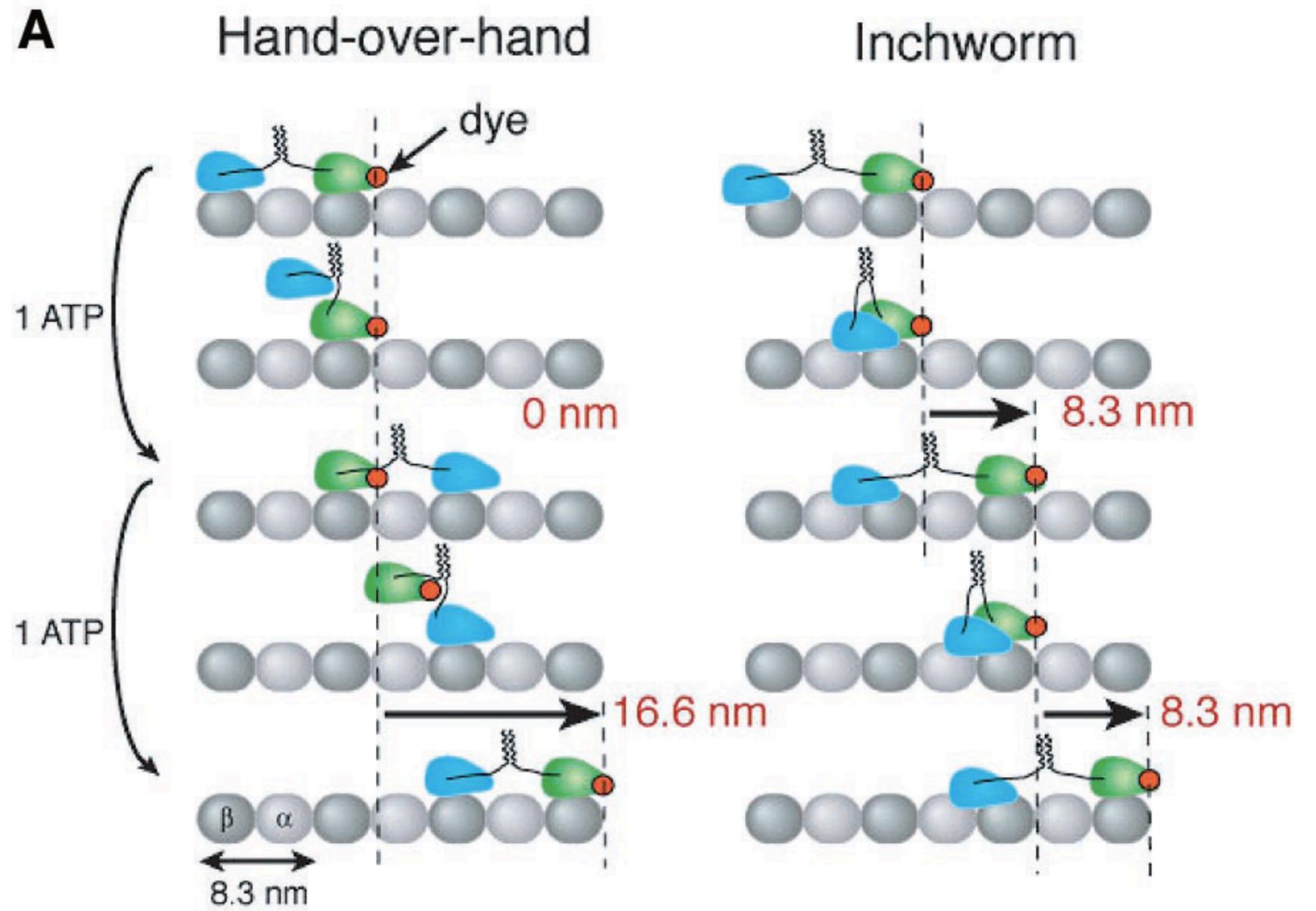


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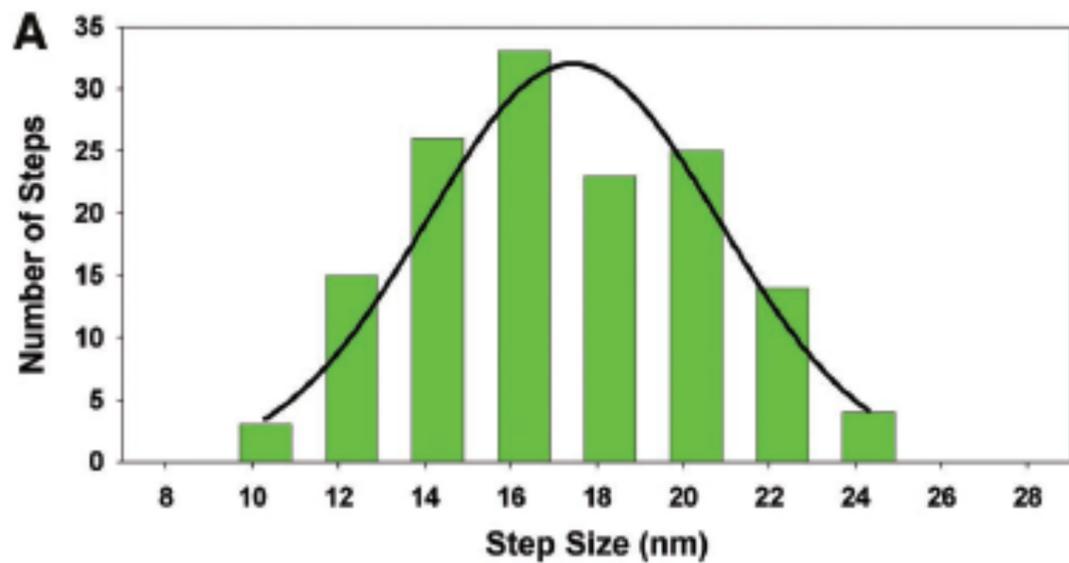
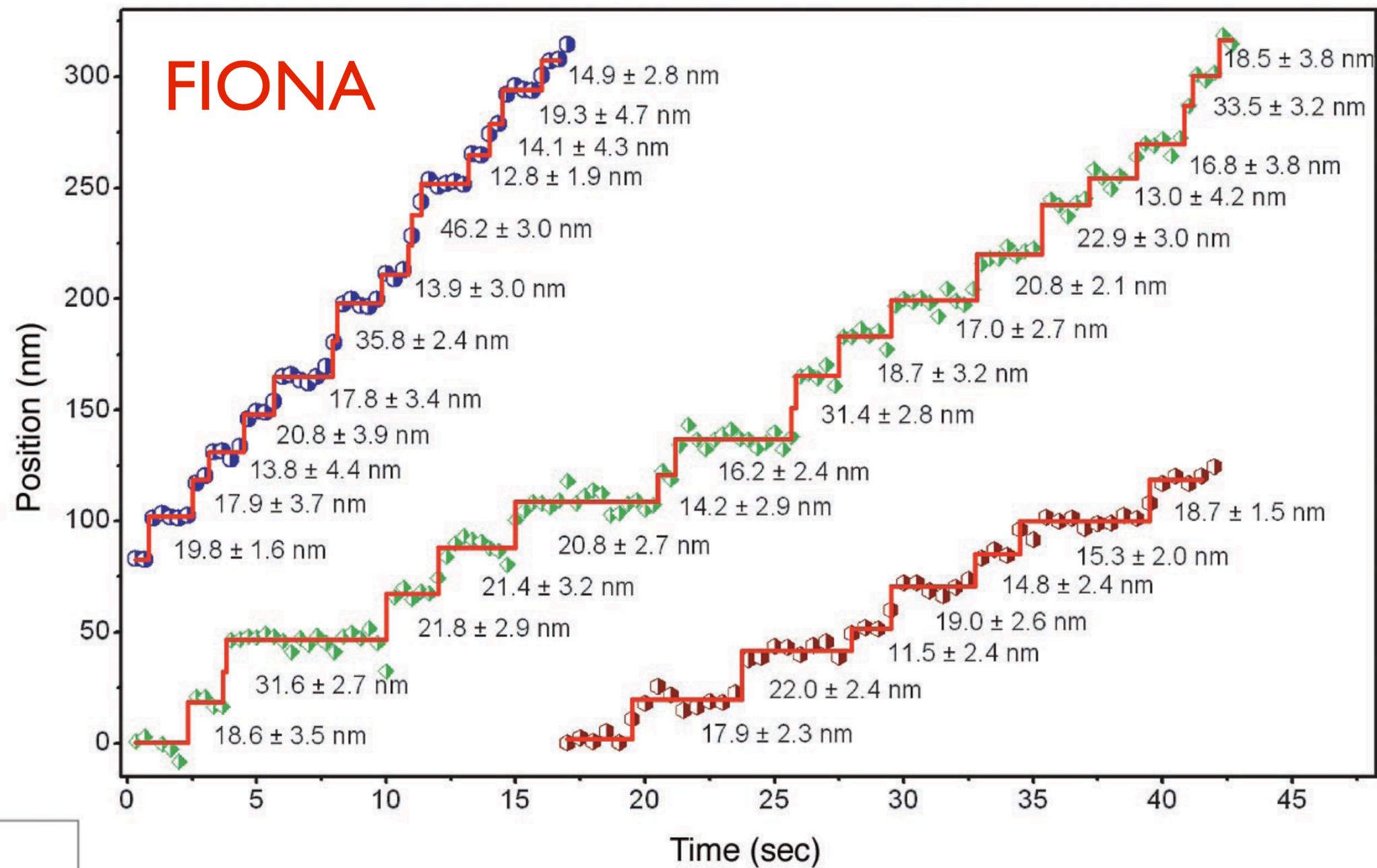
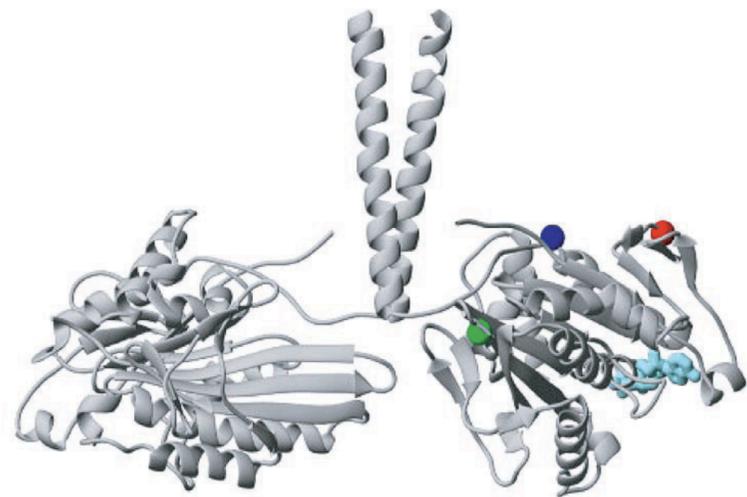




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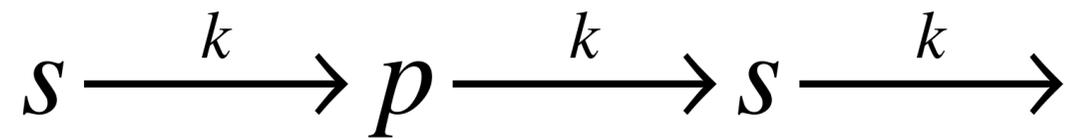


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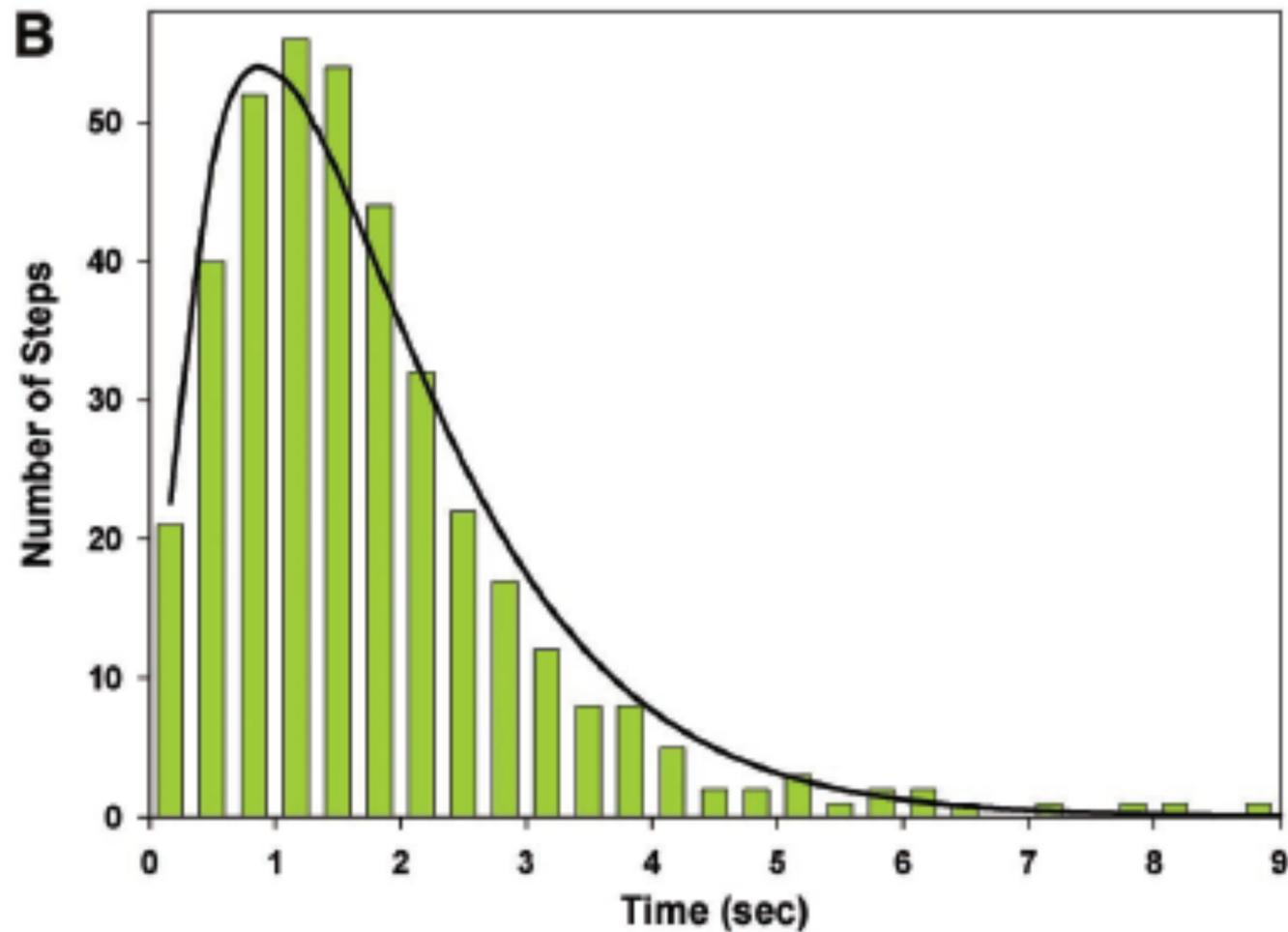
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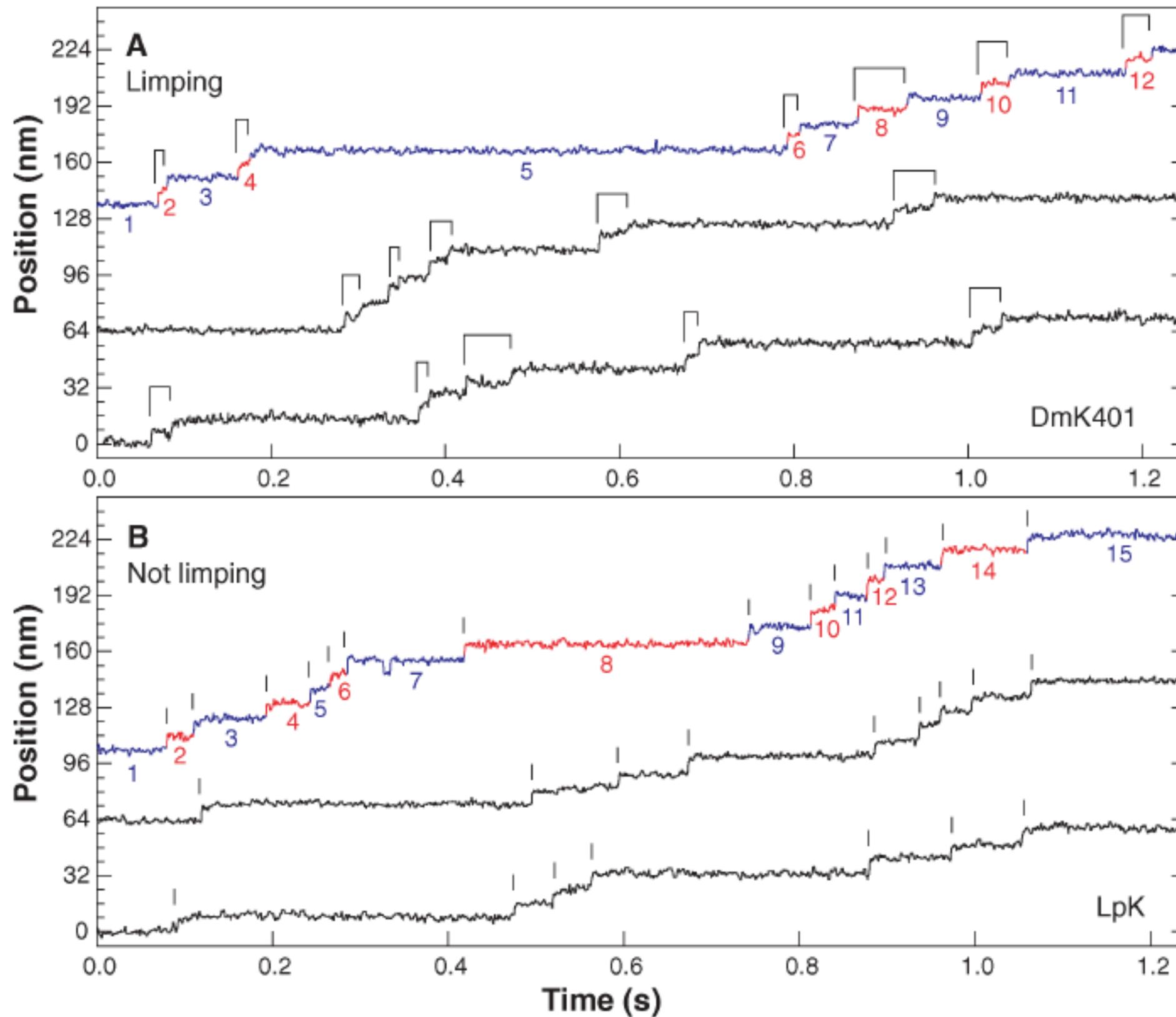
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$$\lim_{k_1, k_2 \rightarrow k} P(t) = k^2 t e^{-kt}$$



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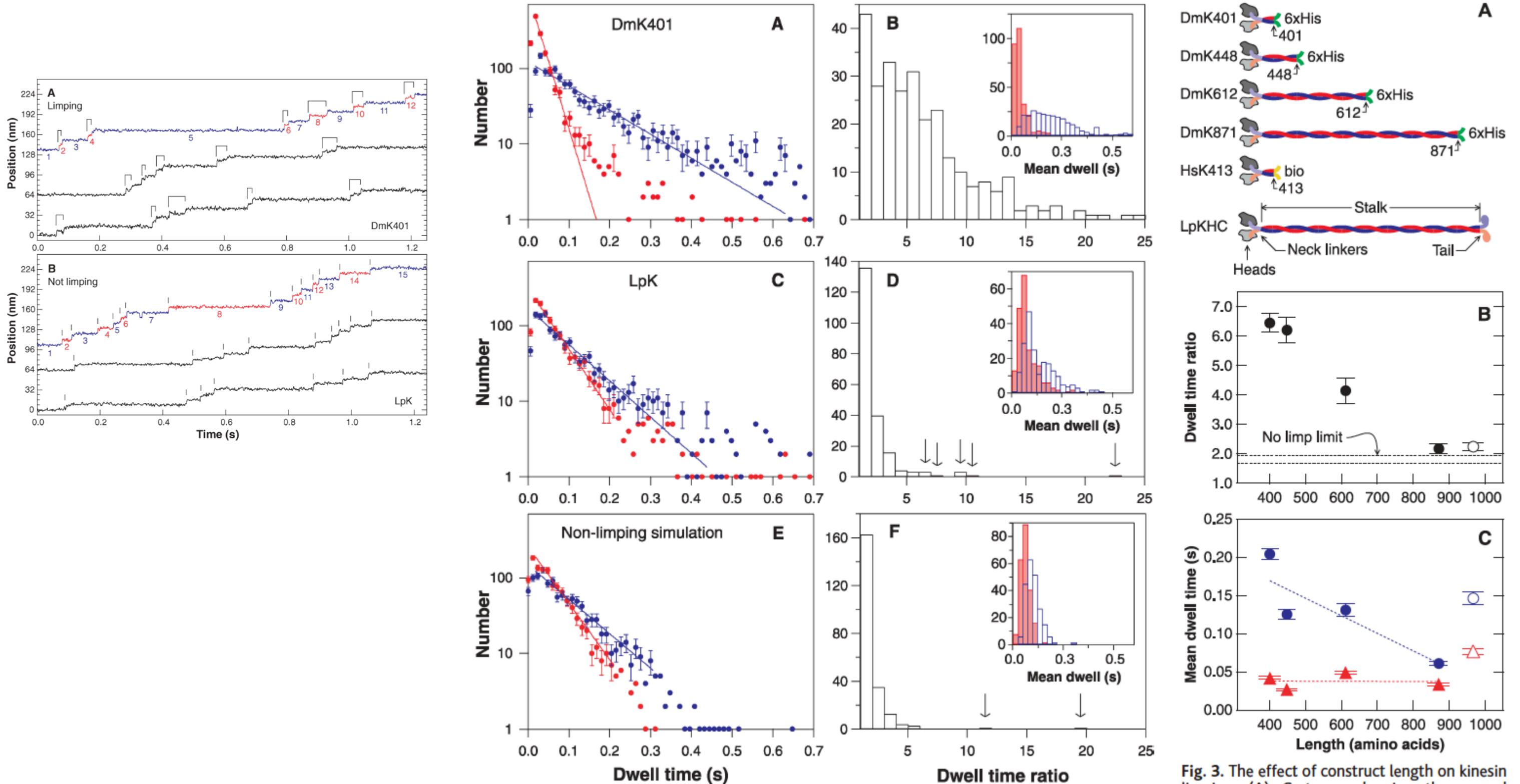
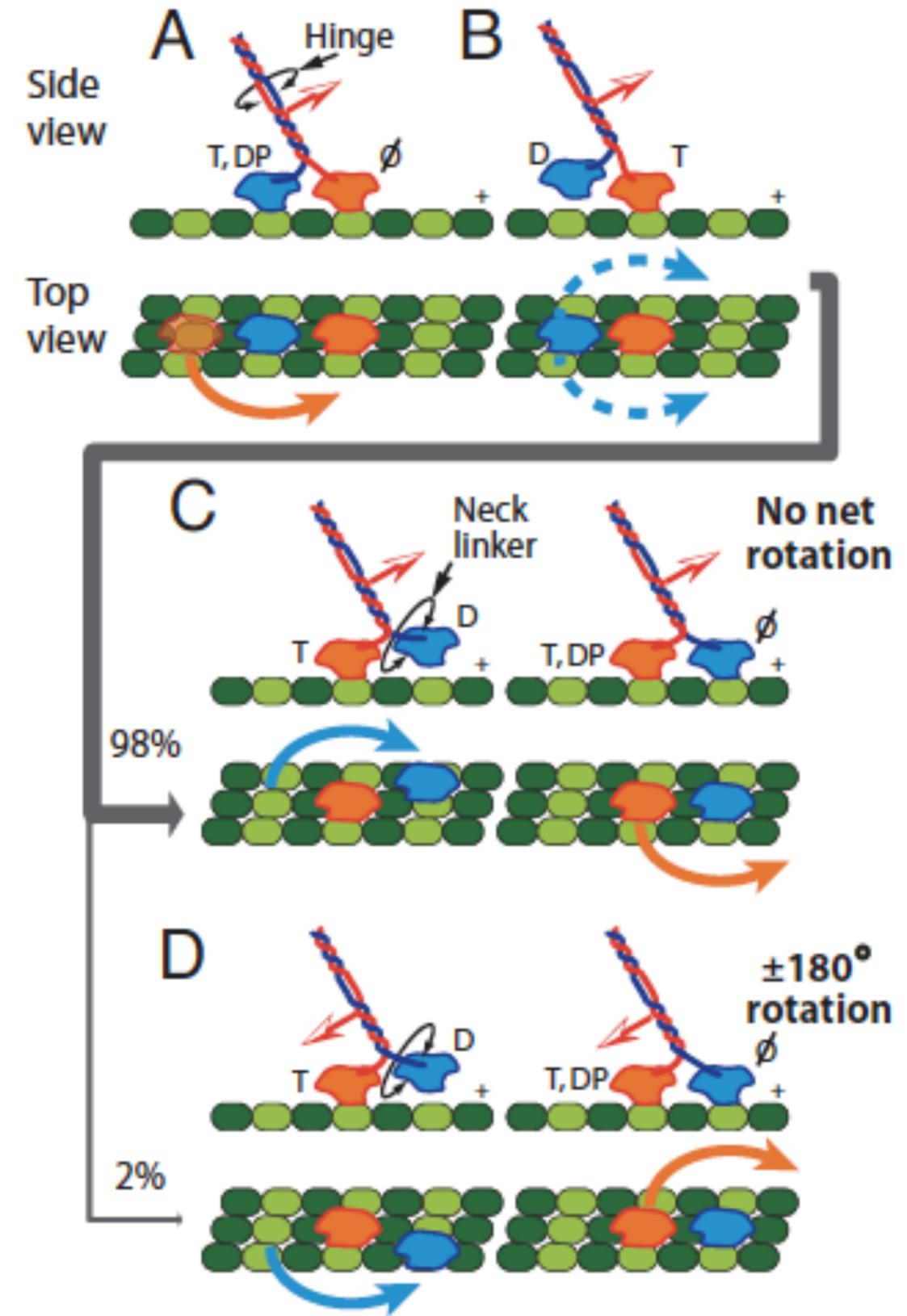
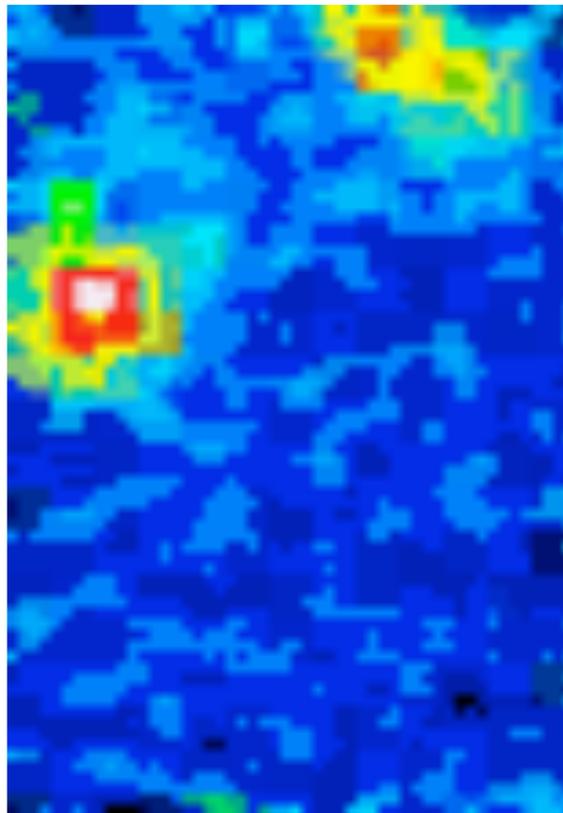
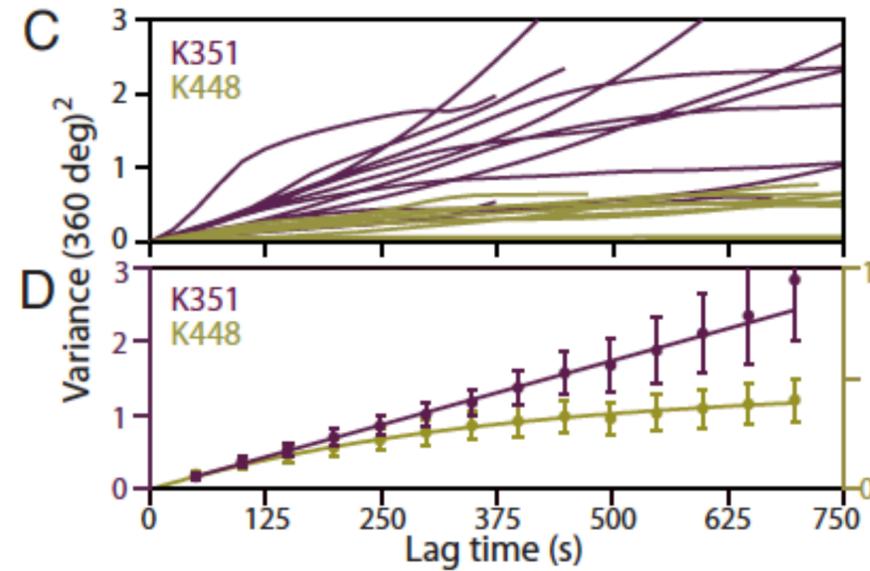
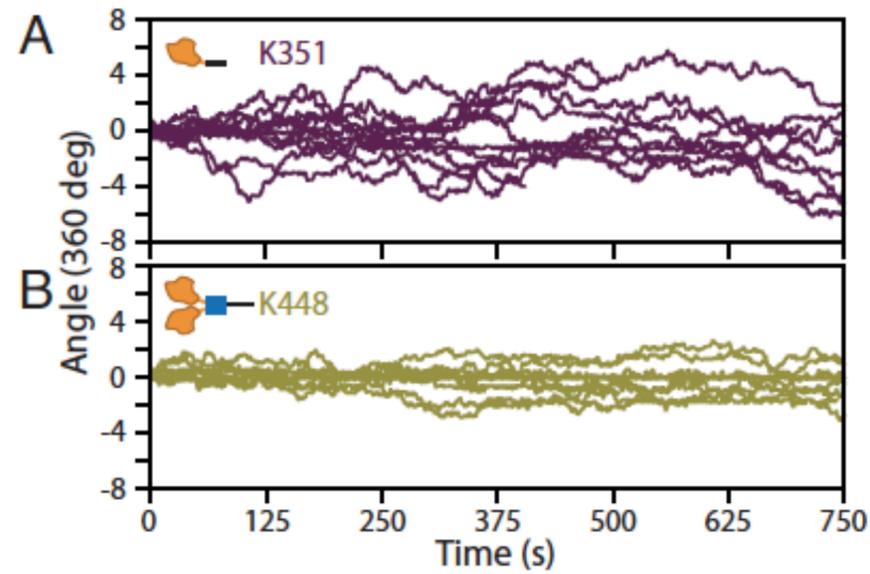
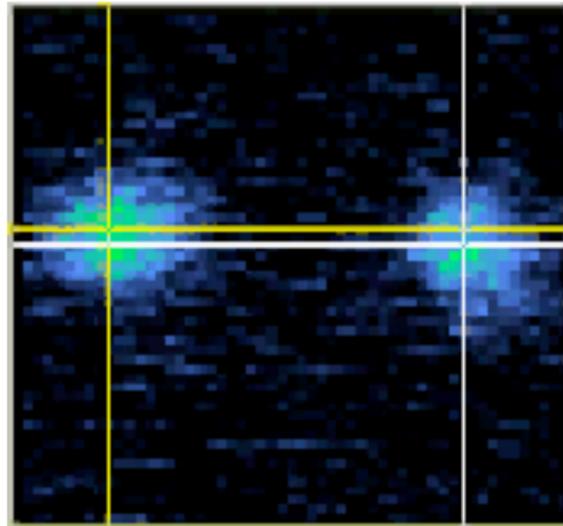
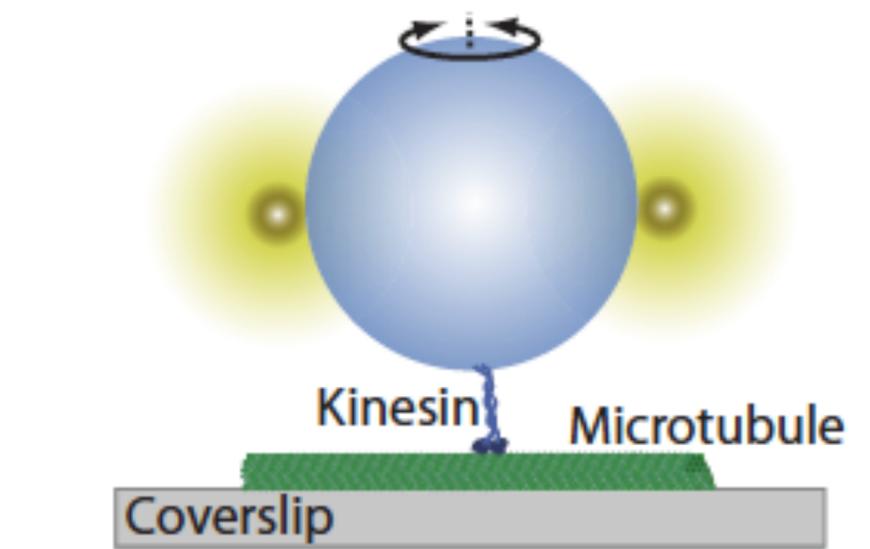


Fig. 3. The effect of construct length on kinesin limping. (A) Schematics showing the named

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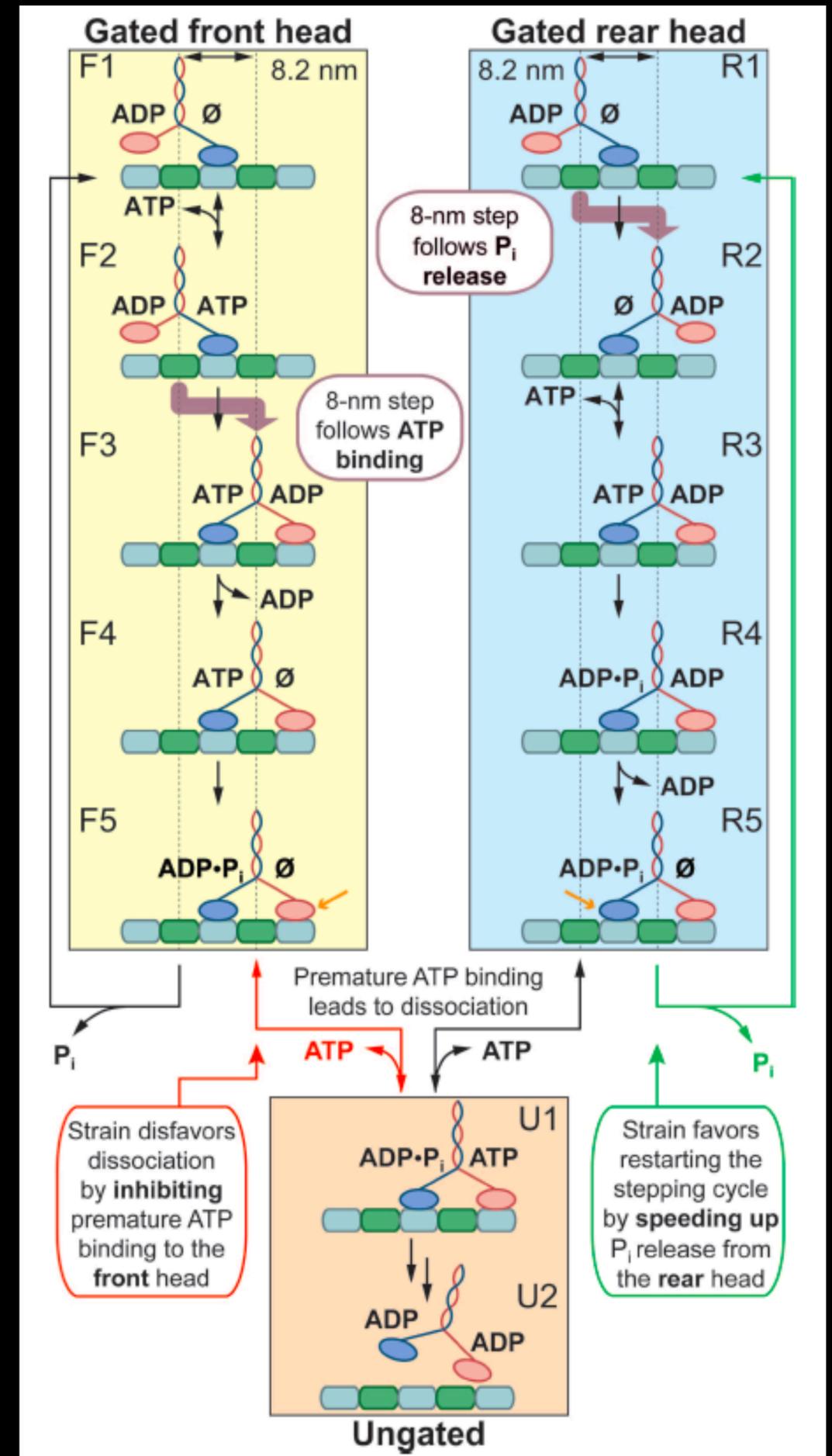
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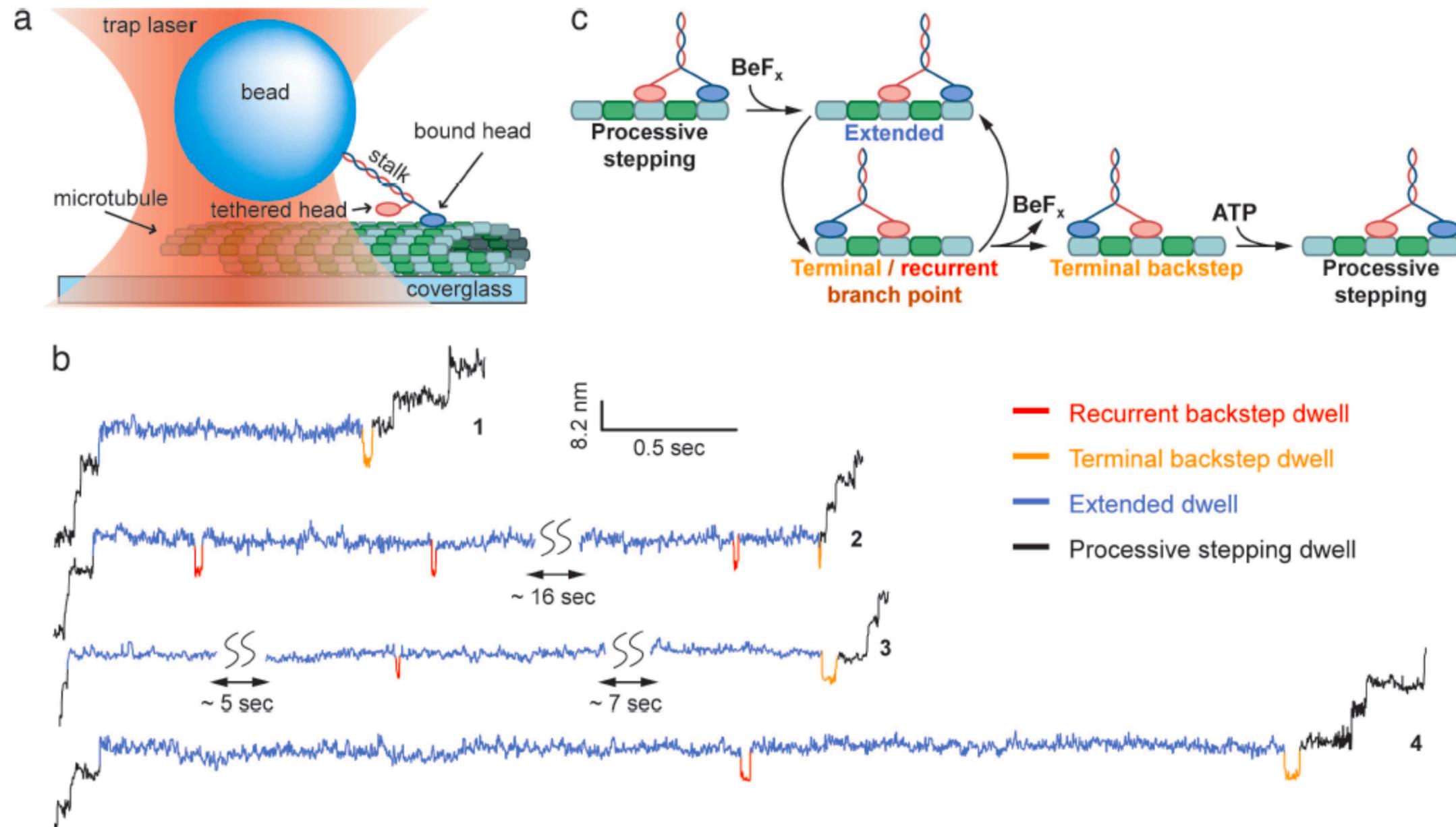
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“Gated rear head” mechanism: *strain increases the detachment rate of the rear head from the MT.*

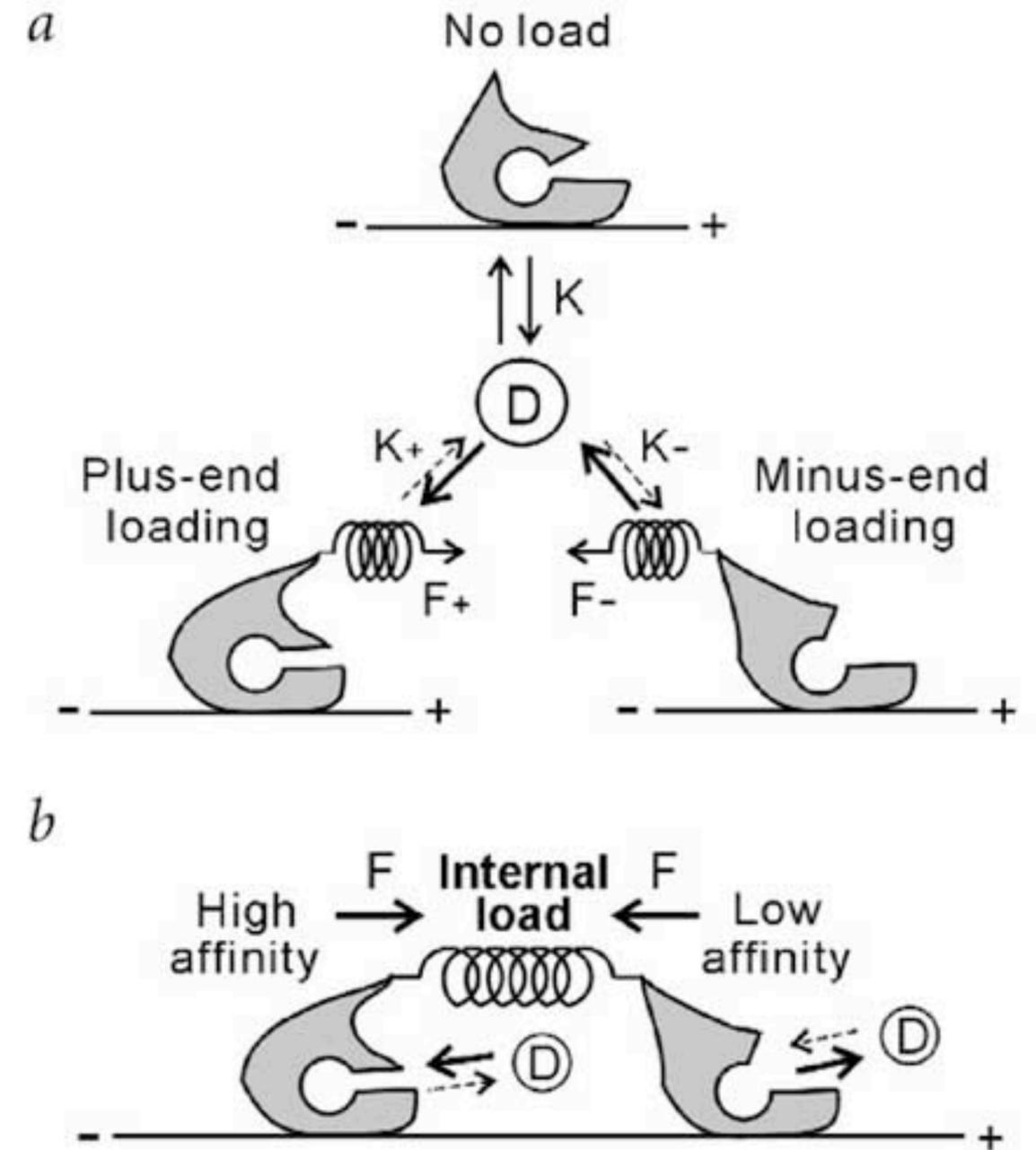
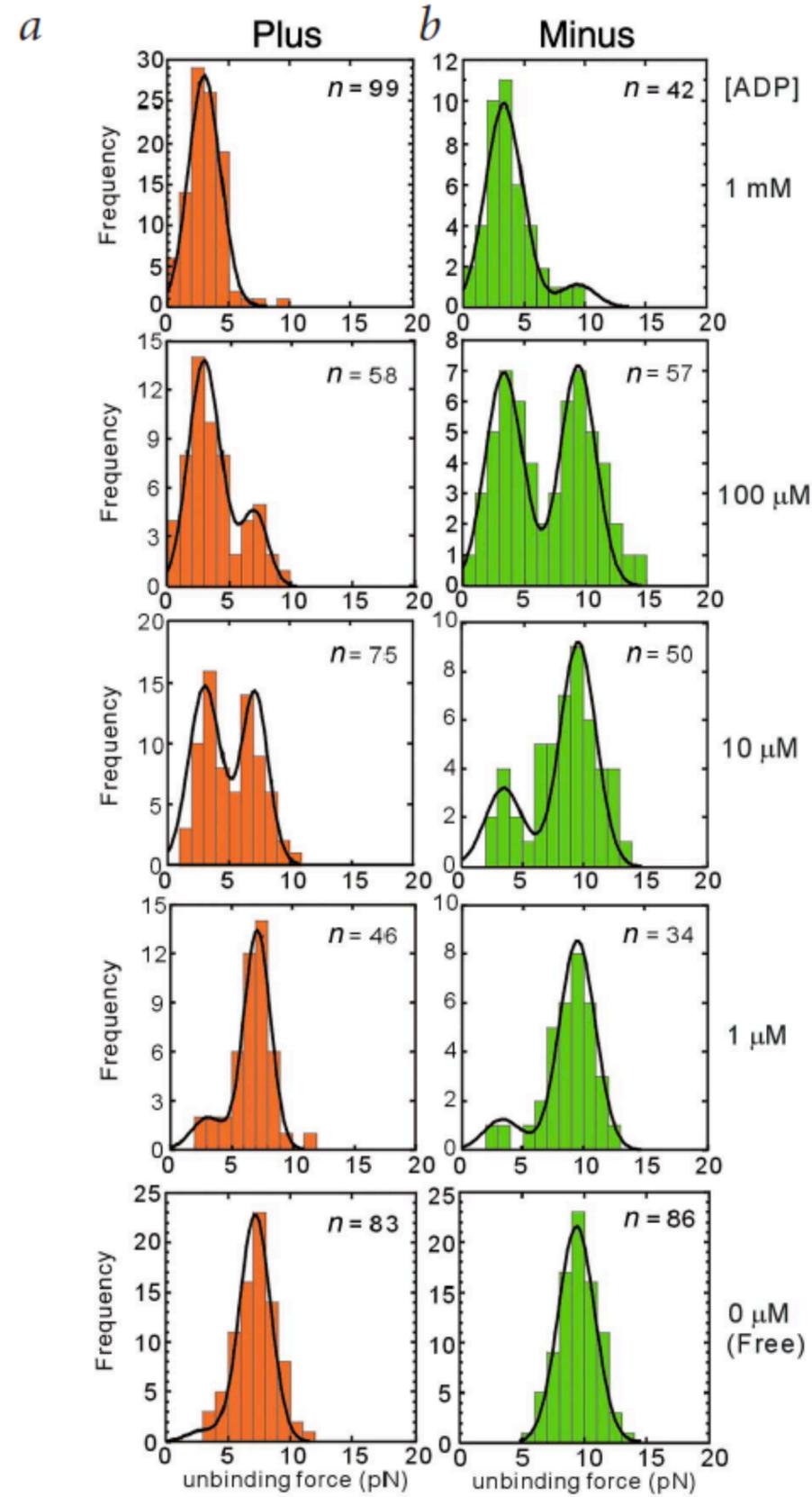
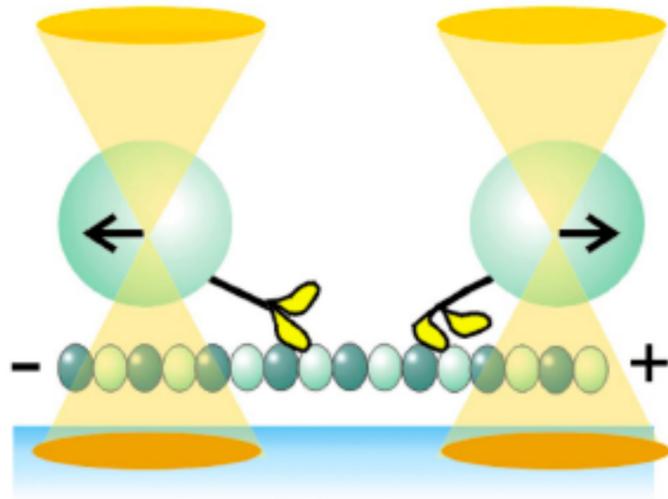
“Gated front head” mechanism: *ATP binding to the leading head is suppressed through internal strain.*

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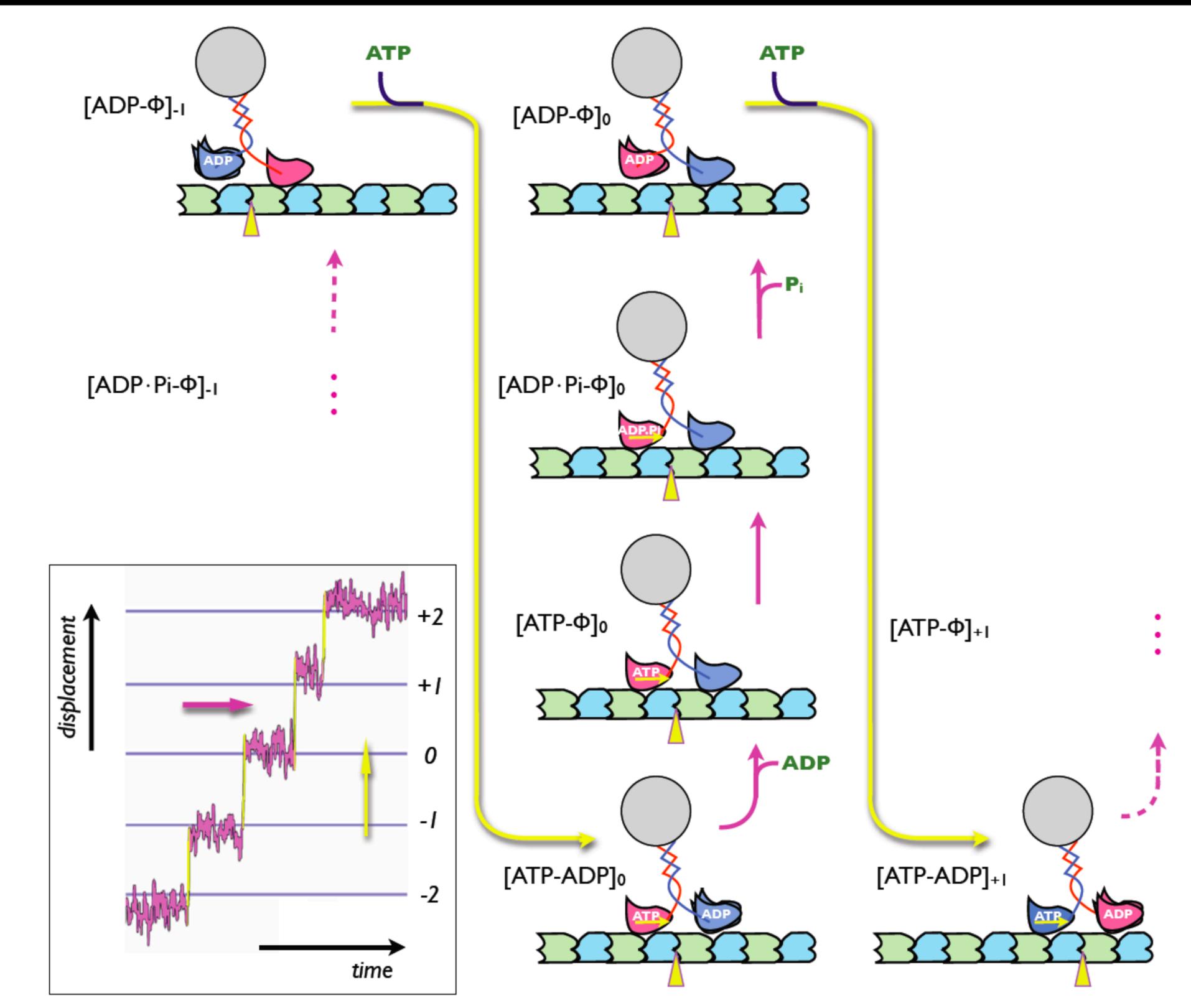


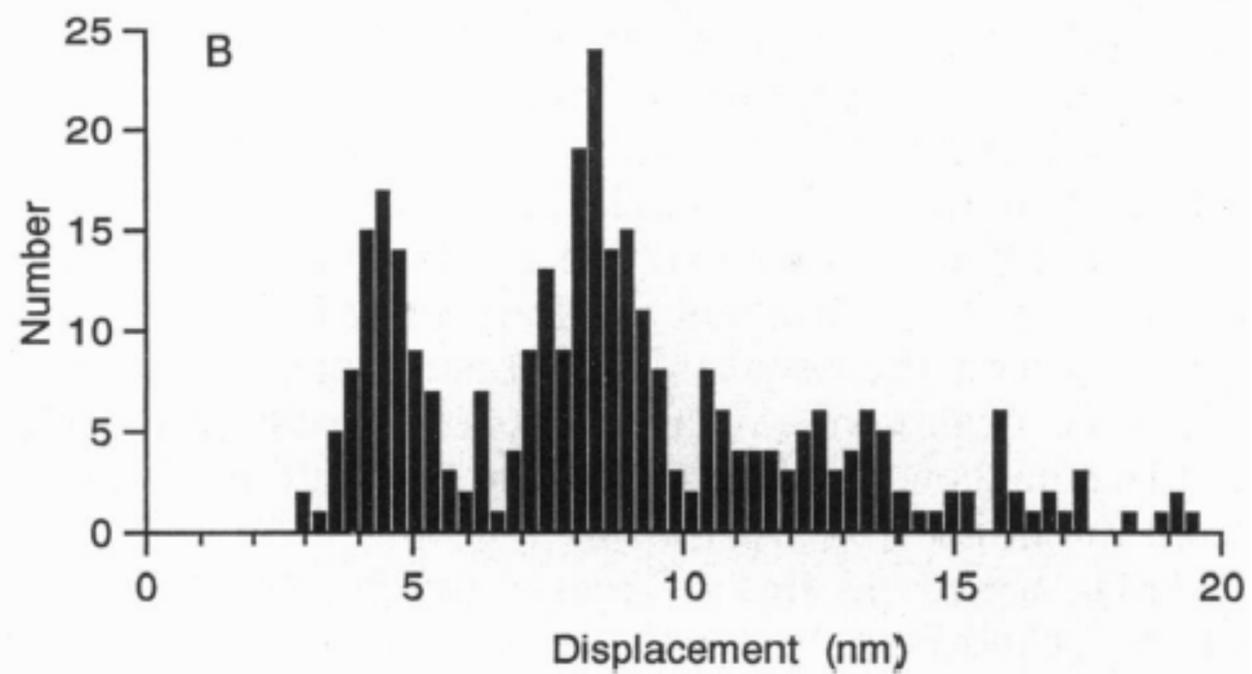
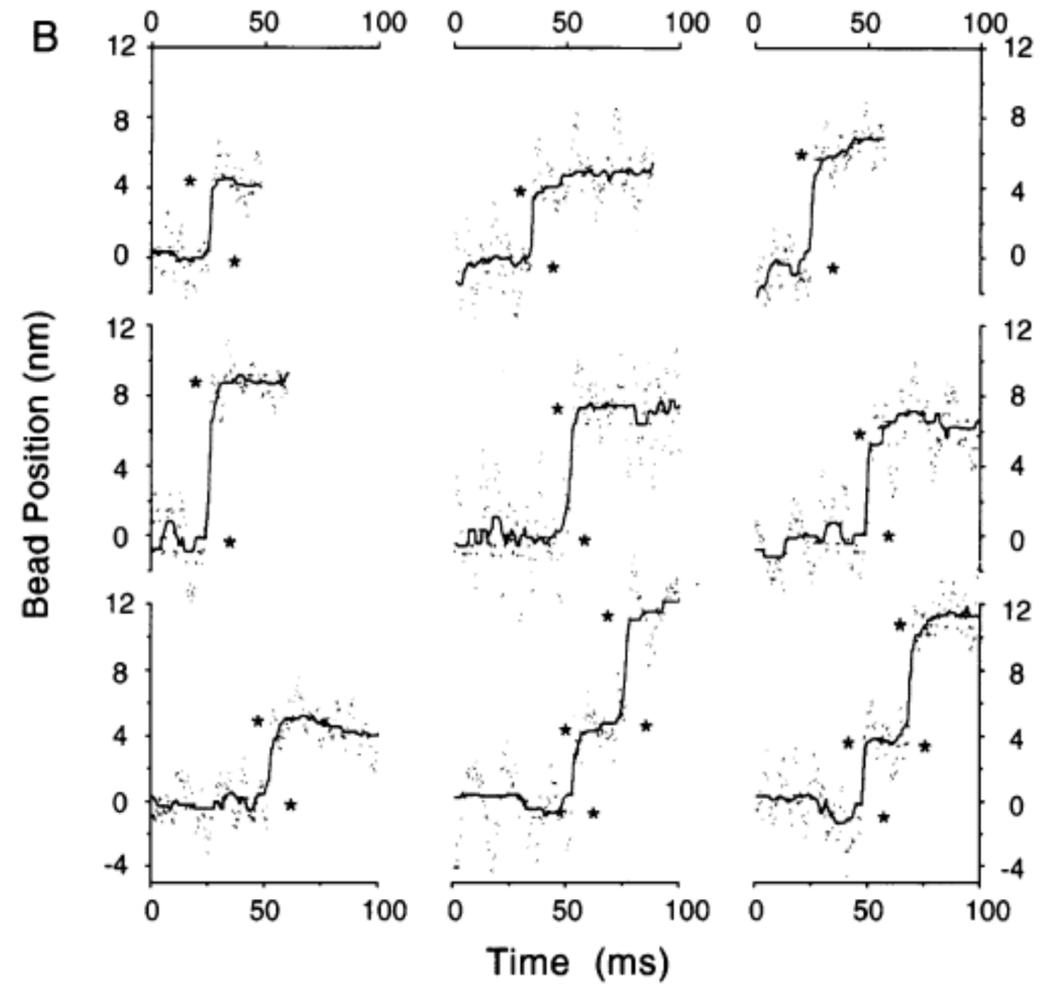
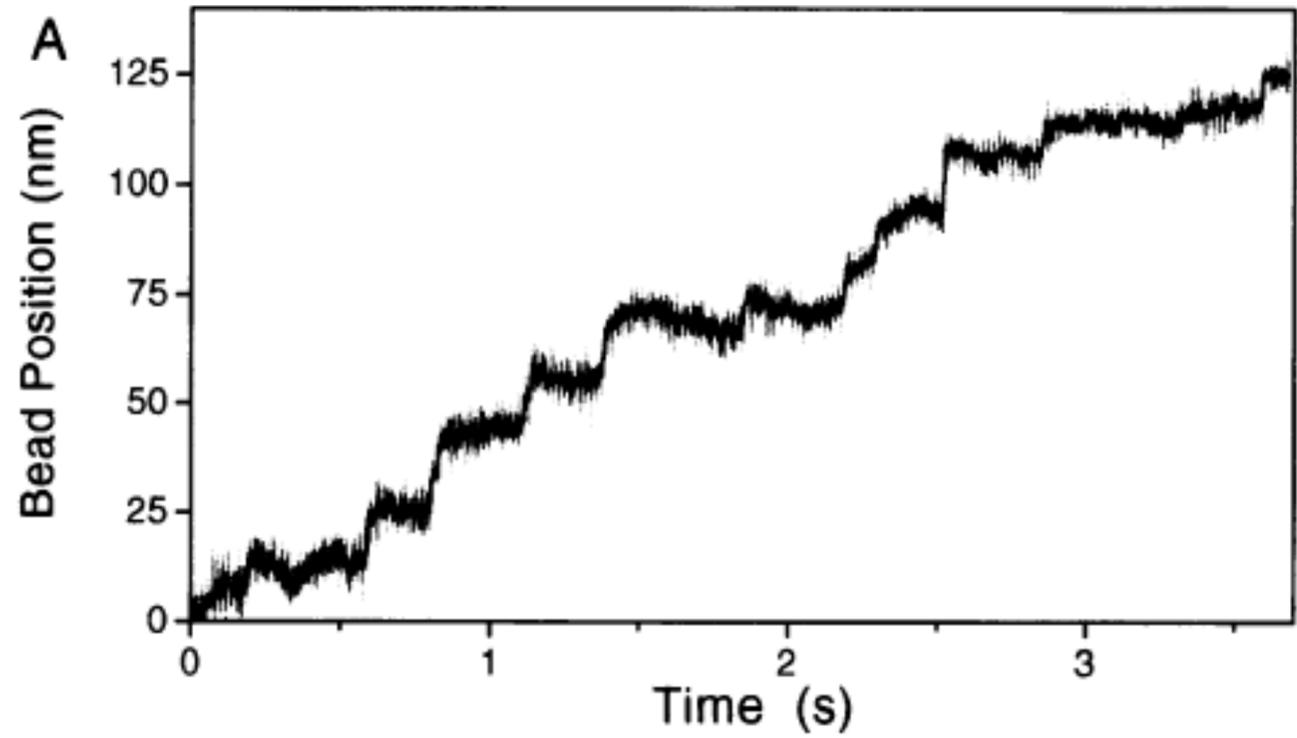


Addition of ADP·BeF_x or AMP·PNP (ATP analog that strongly binds catalytic site) to kinesin causes extended dwell. Kinesin is rescued from this extended dwell only after a backstep → ATP analog dissociates when it is in the front head

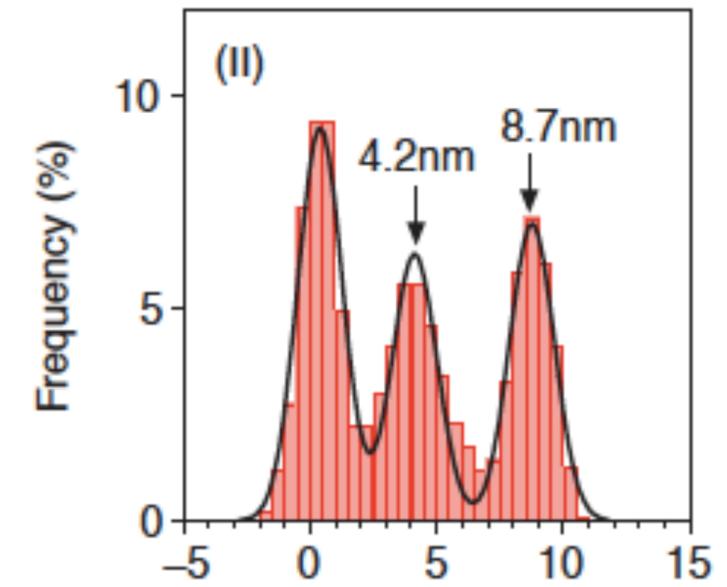
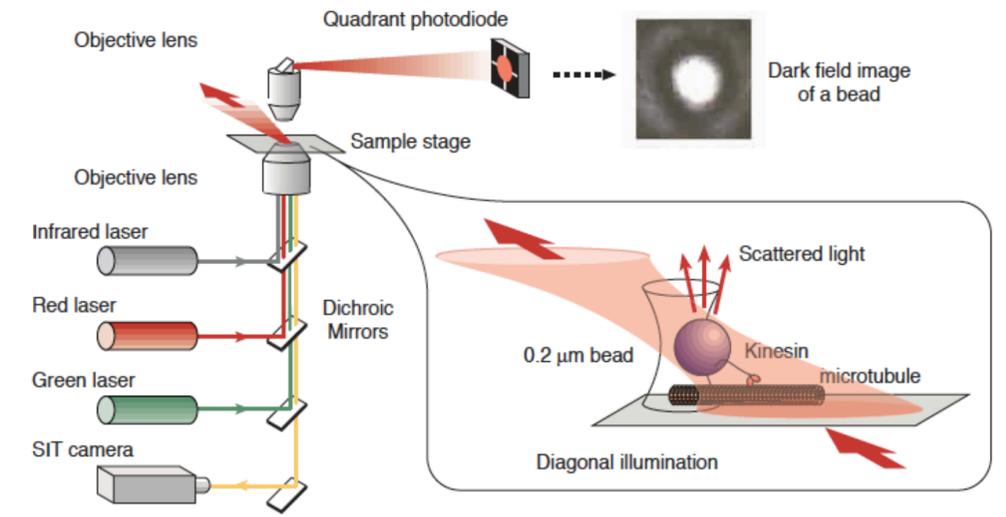
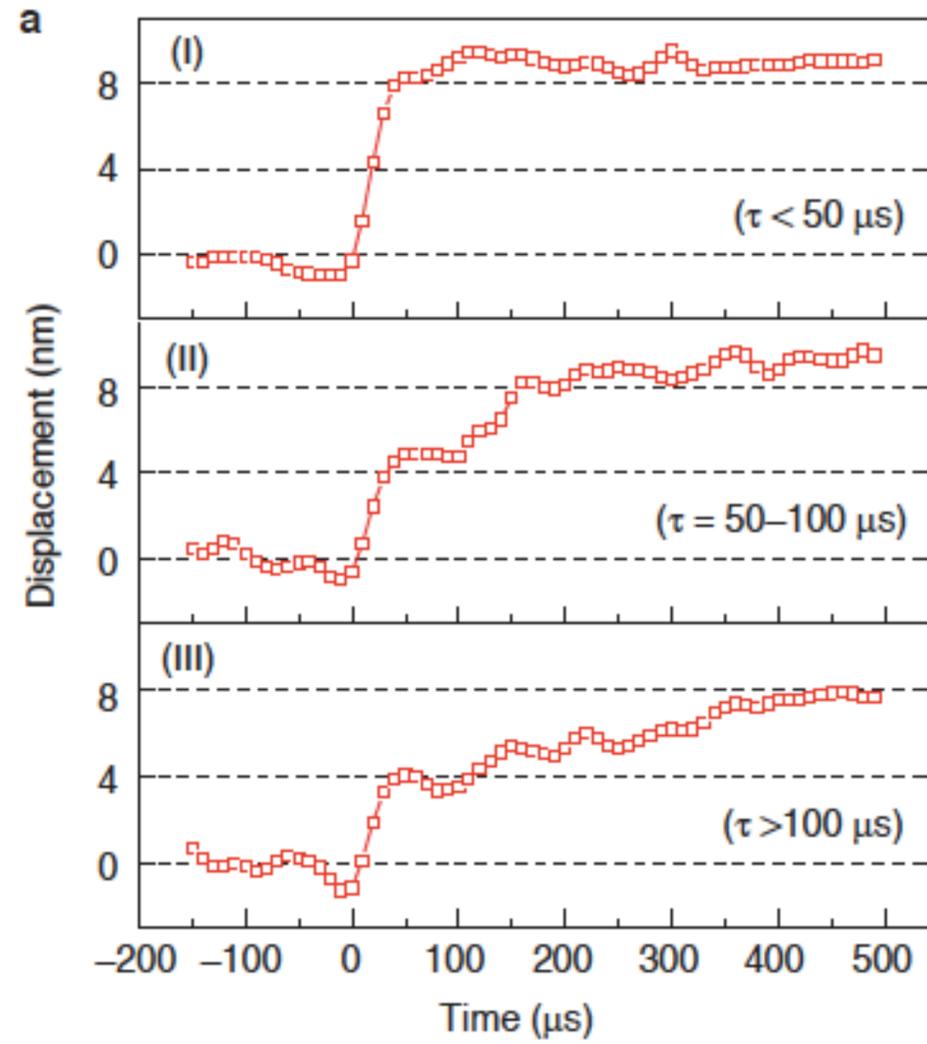
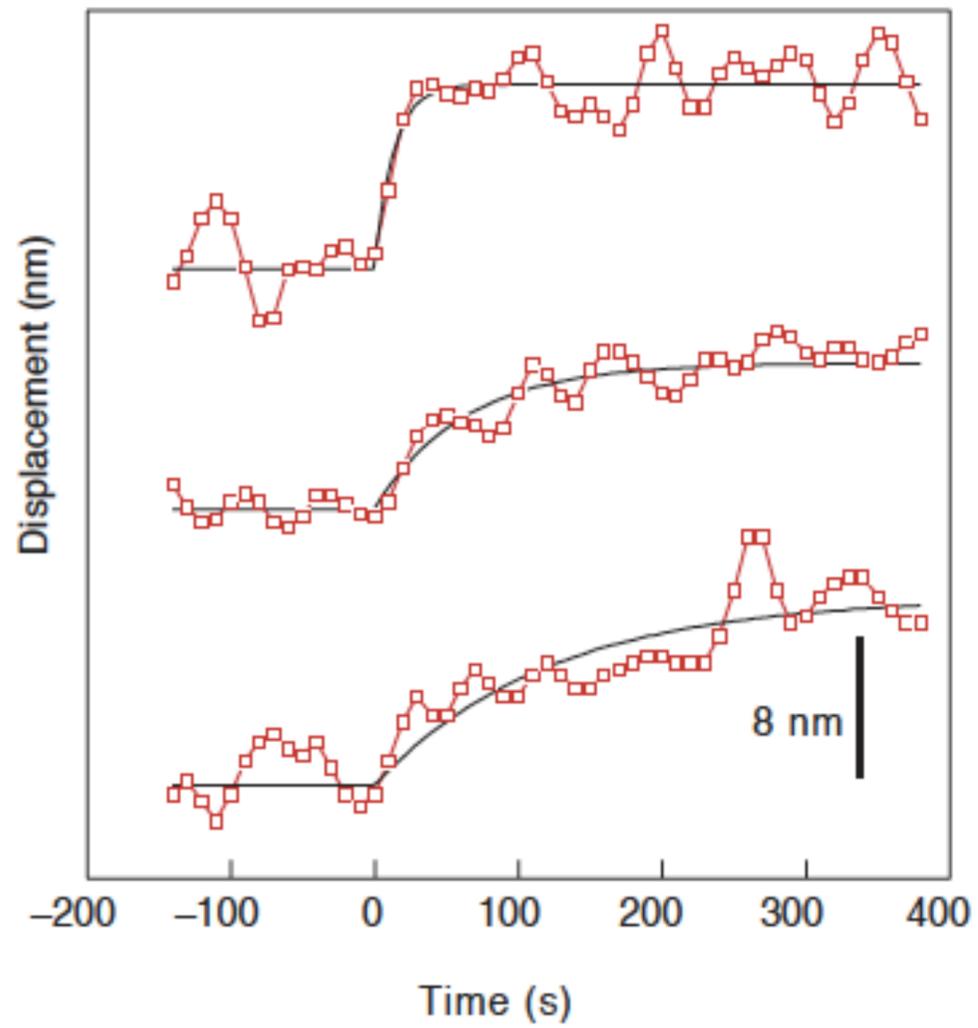


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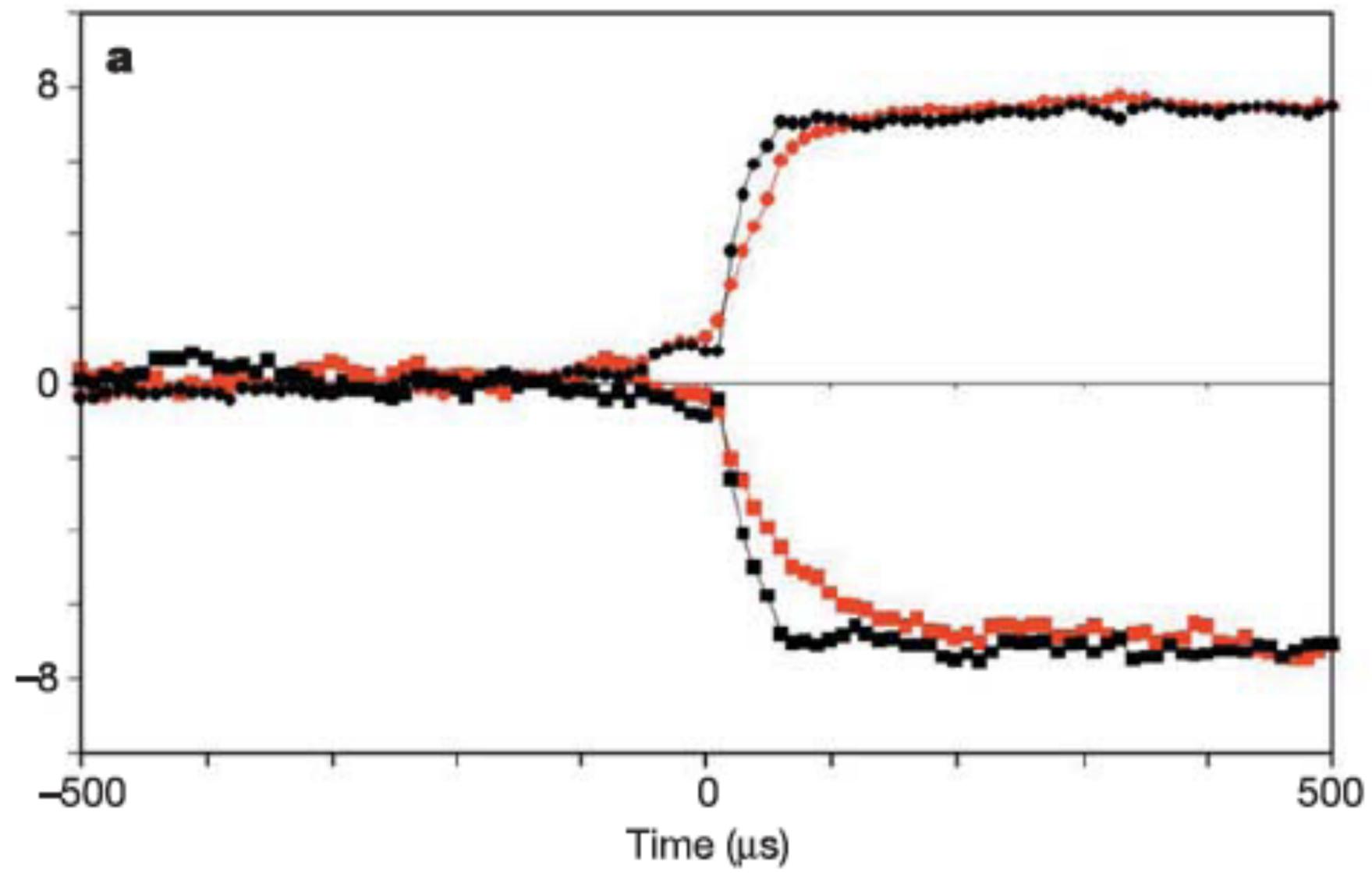




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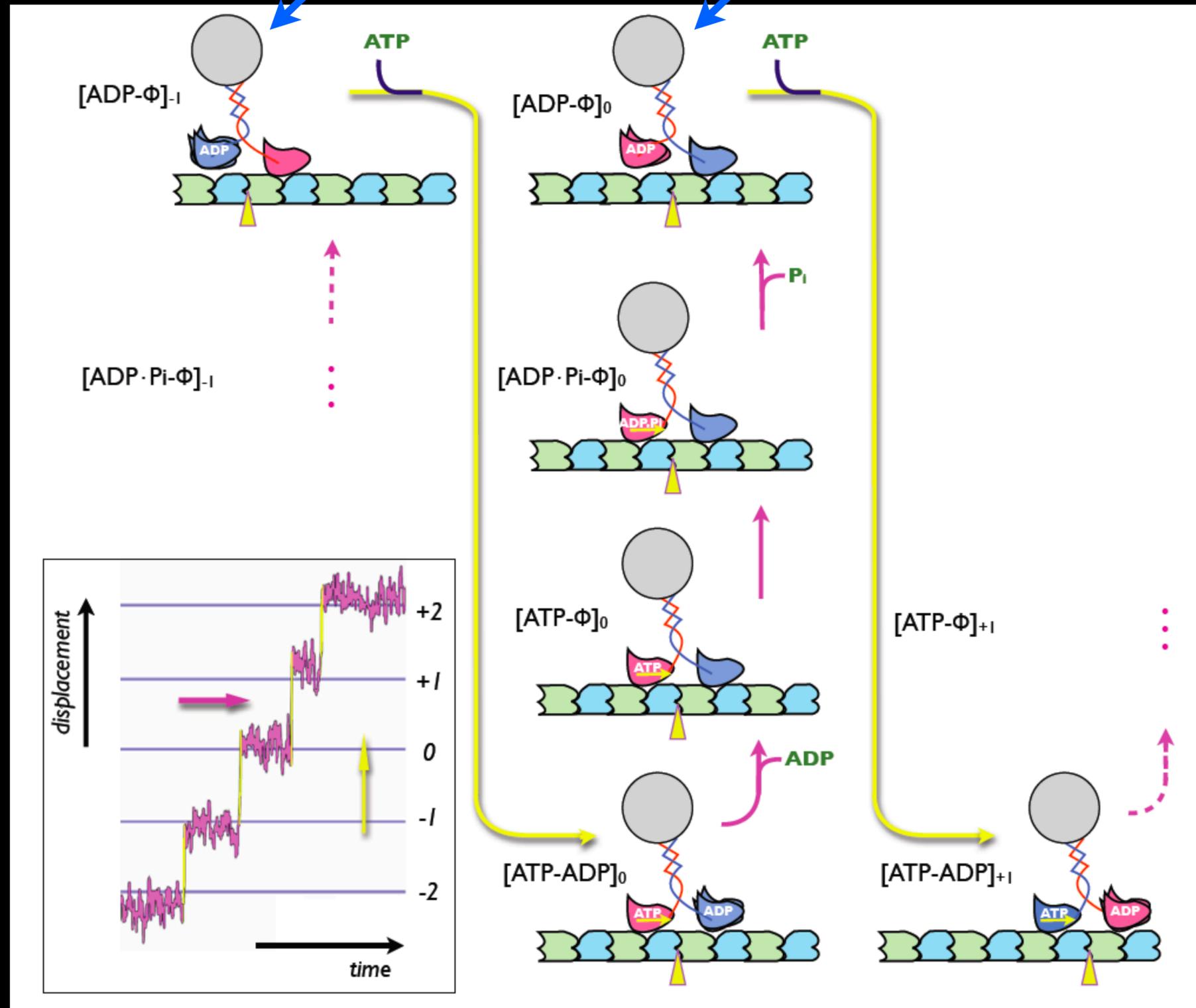
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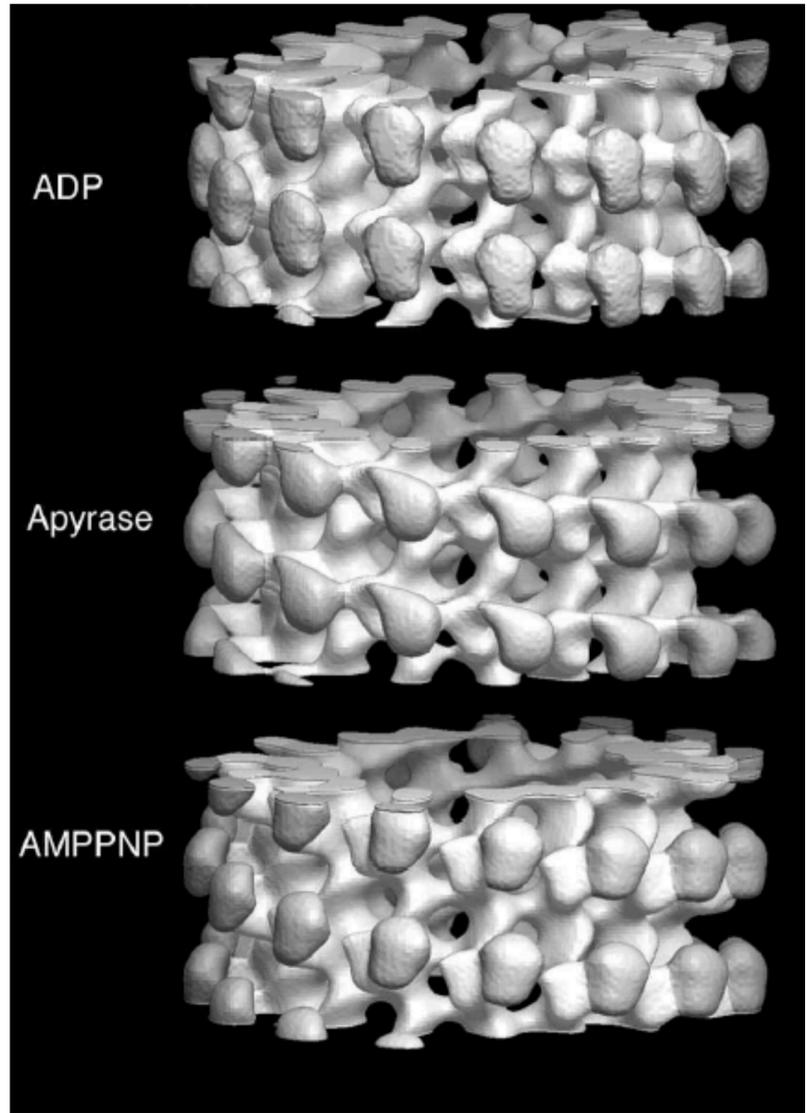
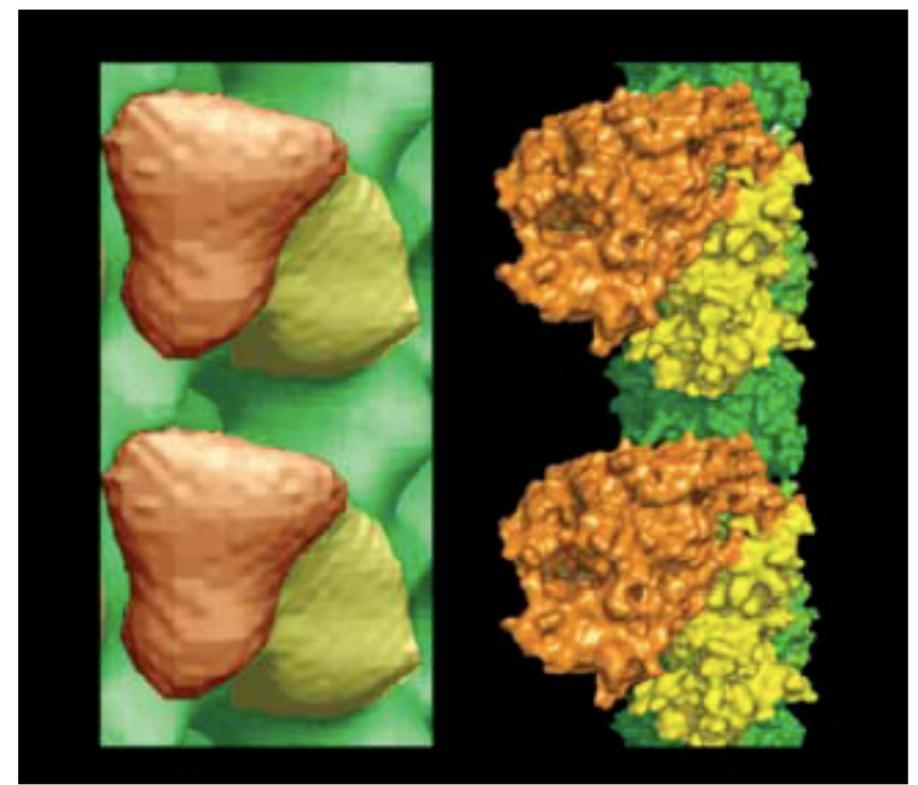
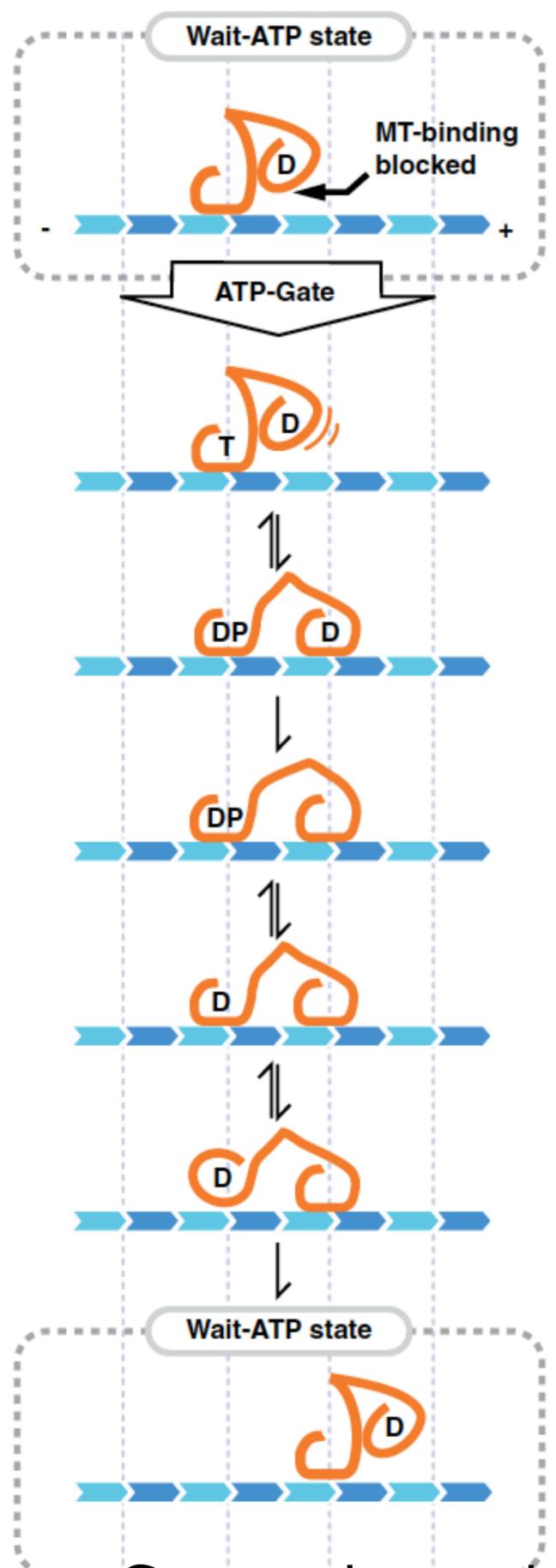
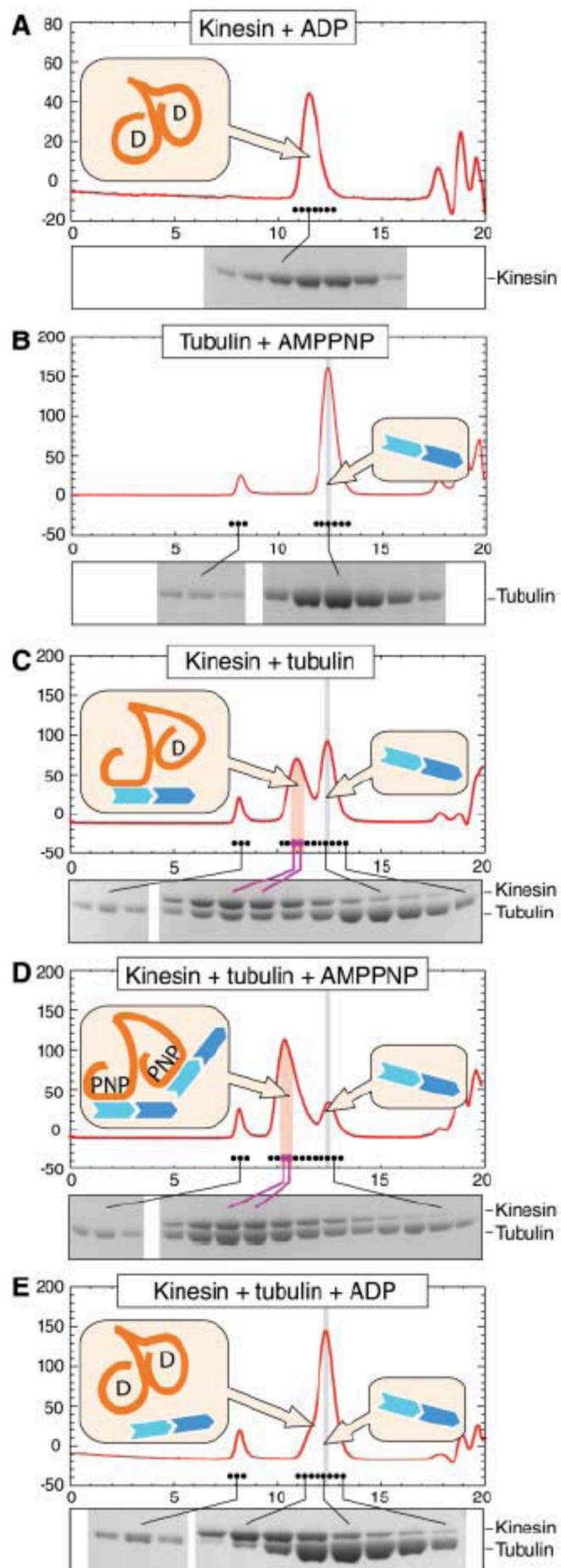


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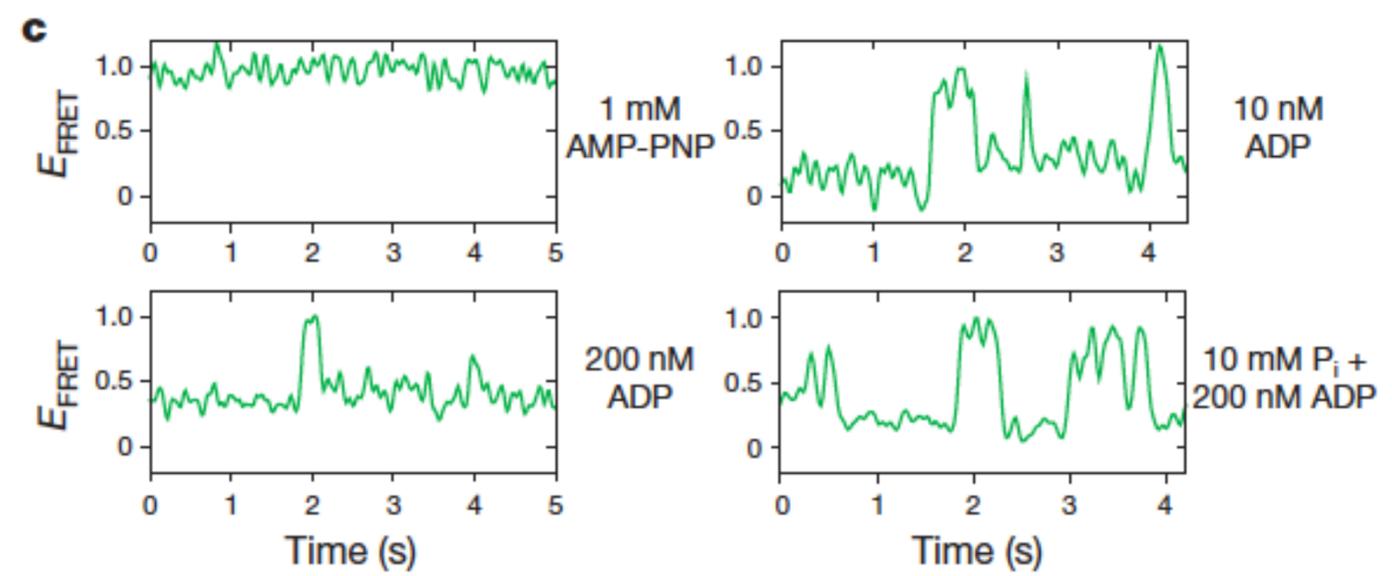
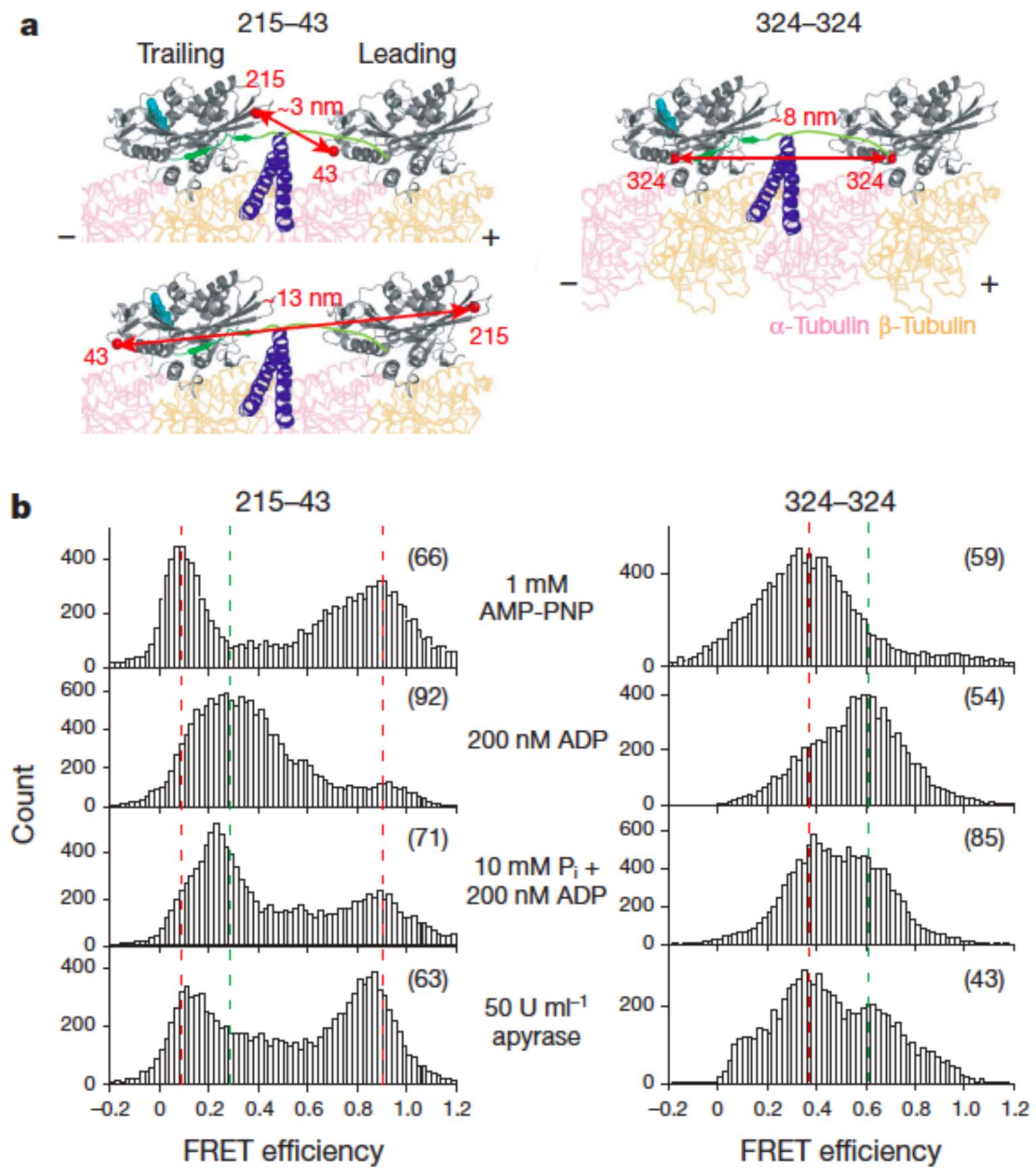
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What is the nature of weakly-bound ADP state?

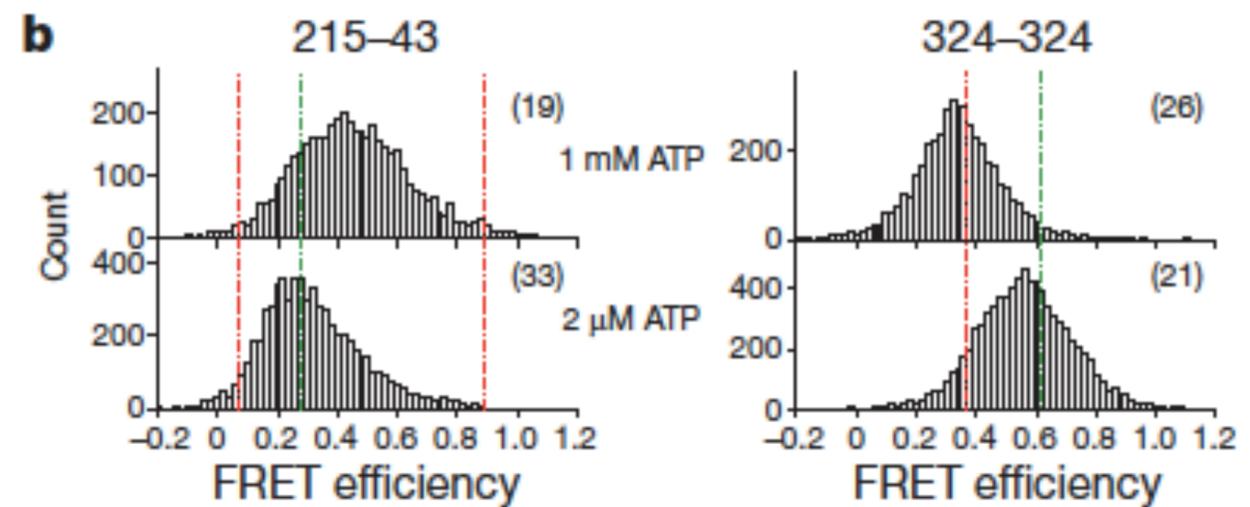
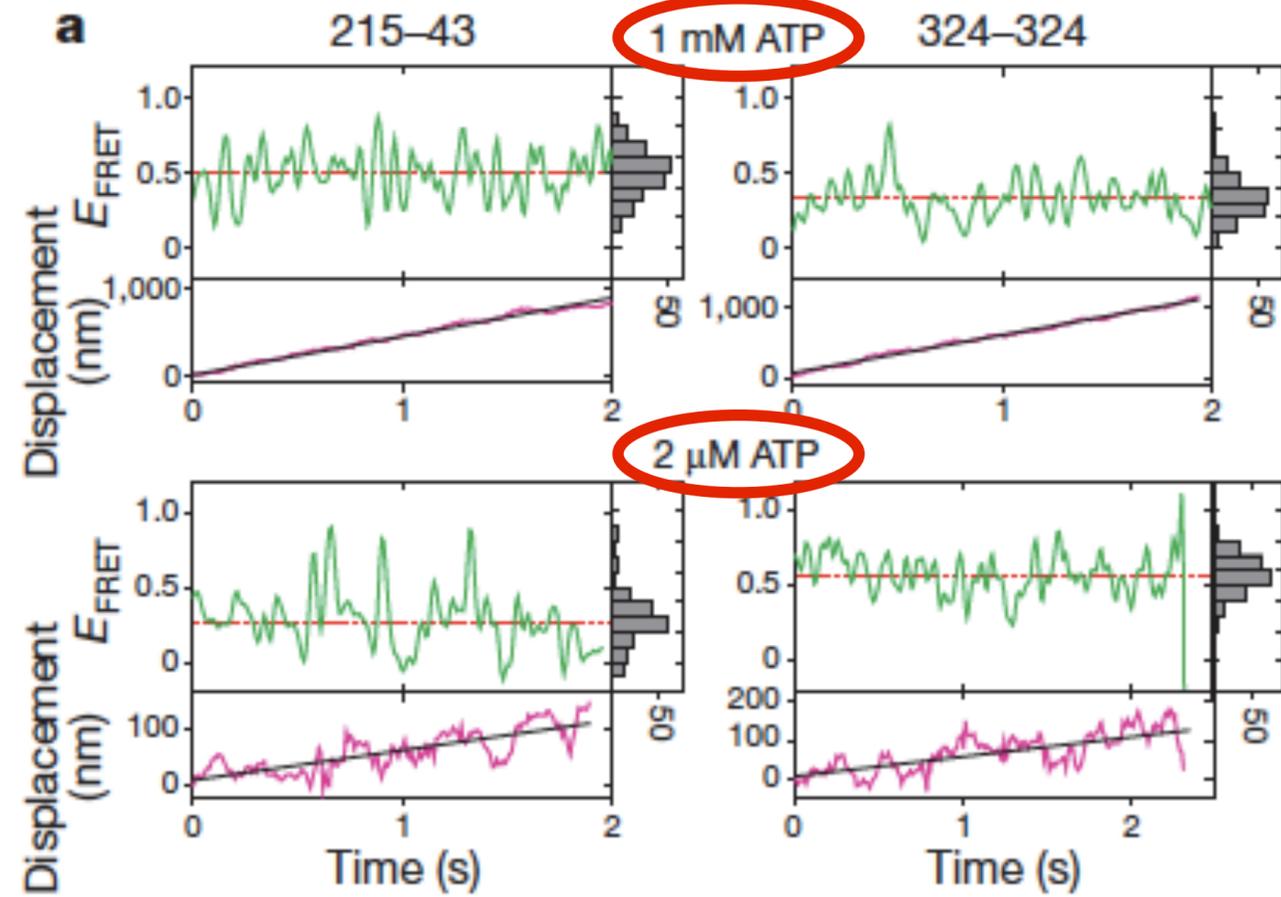
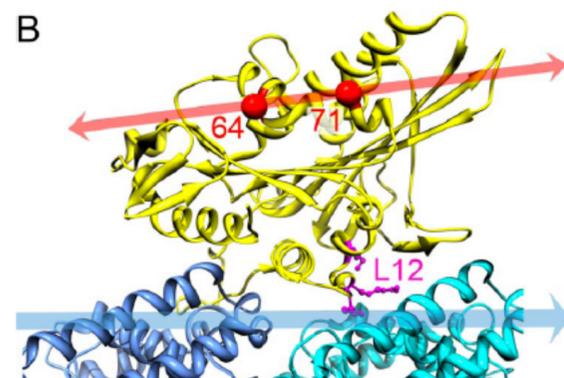
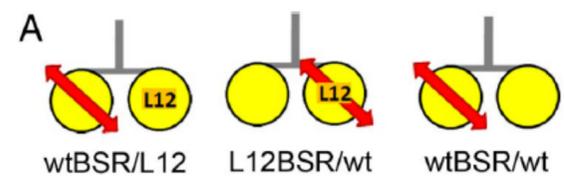
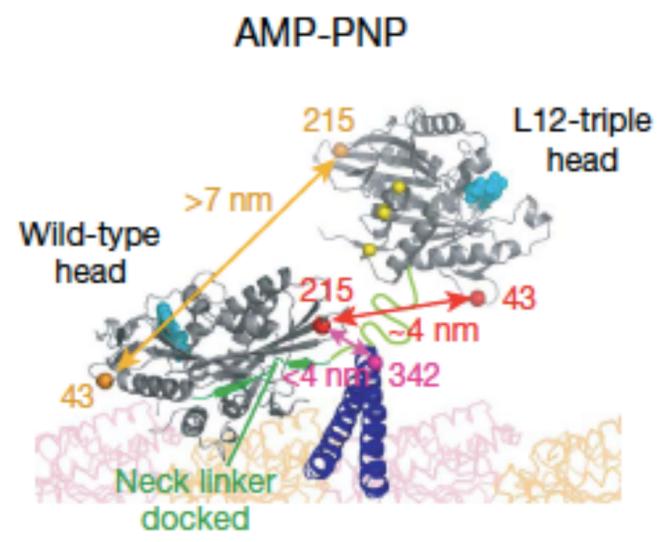
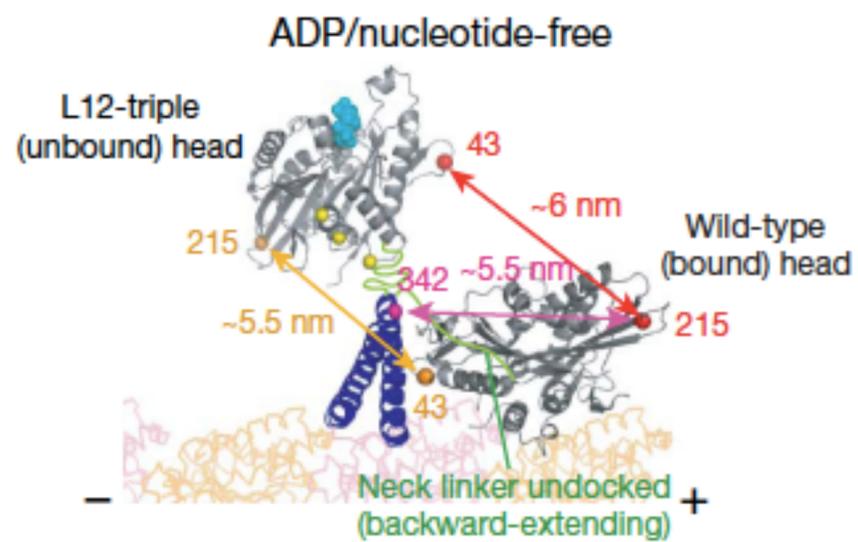
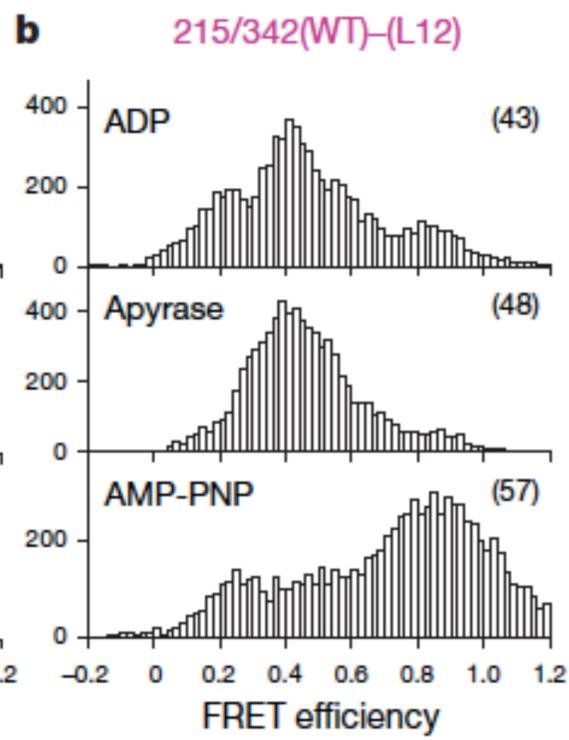
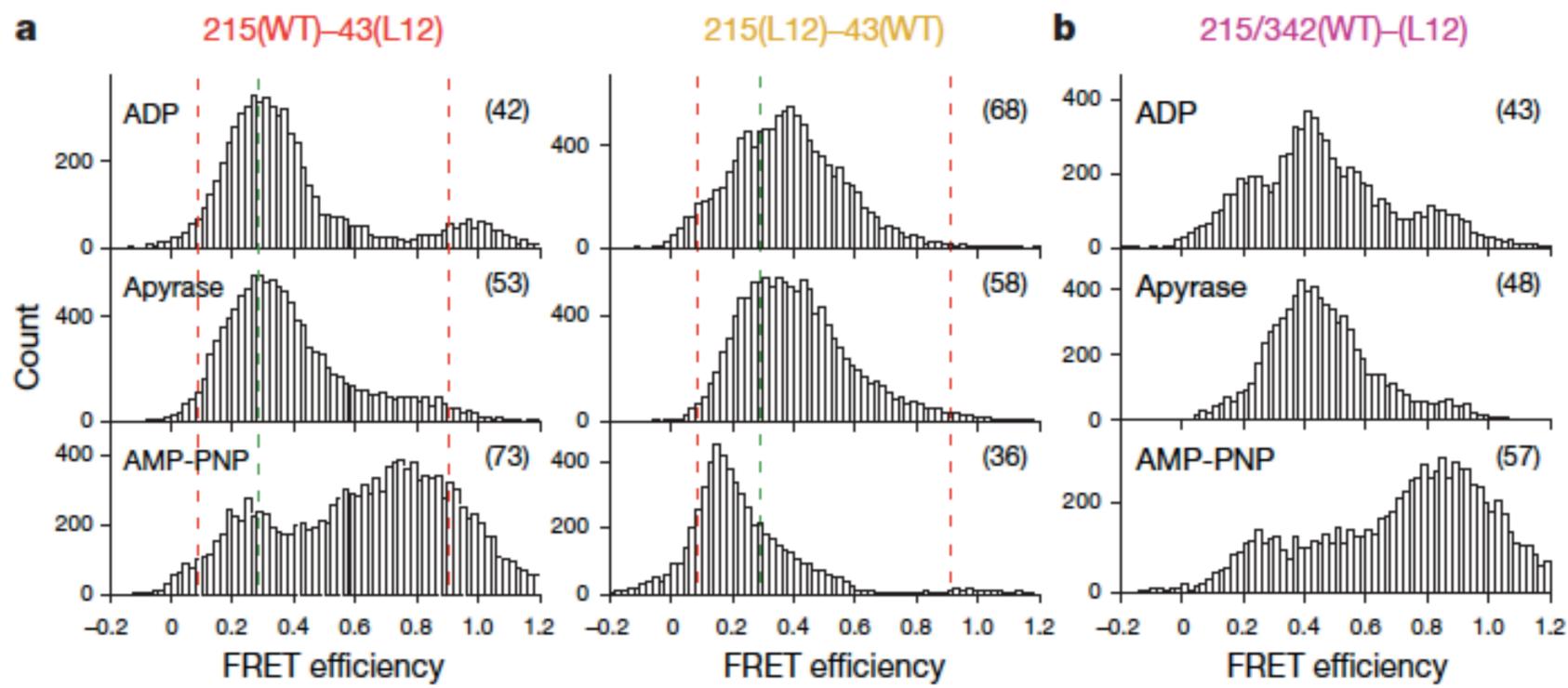




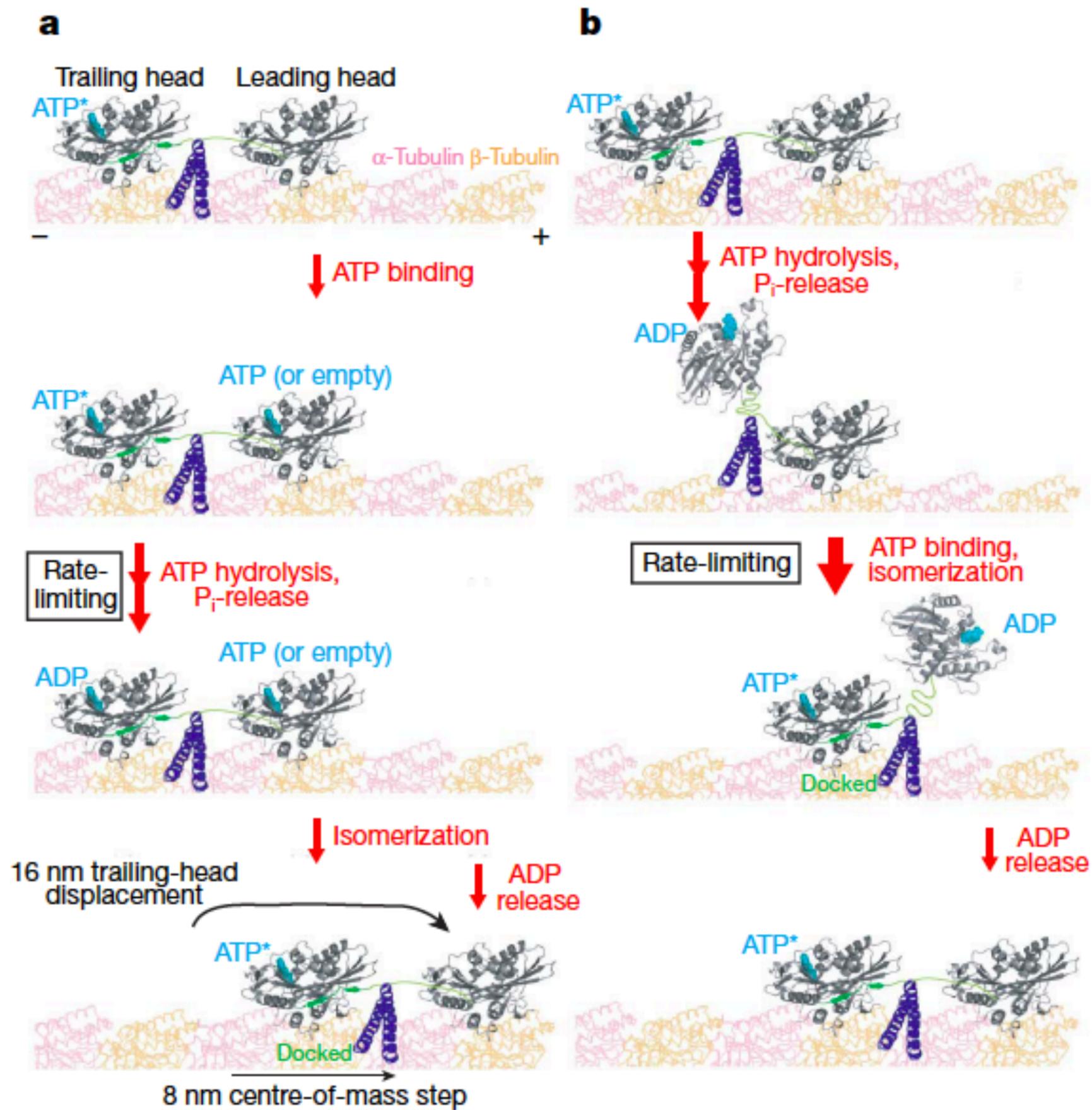
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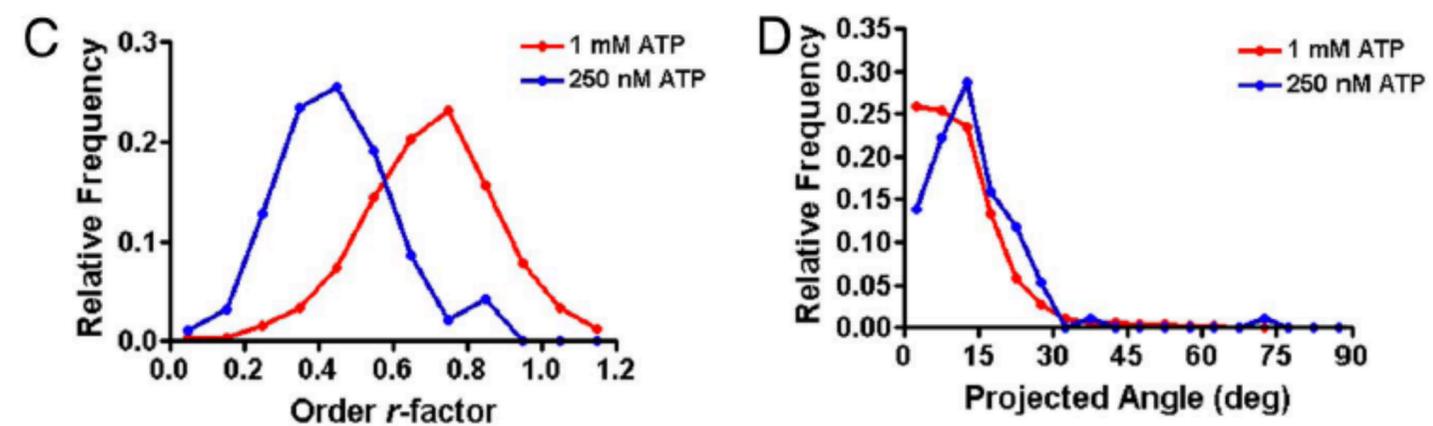
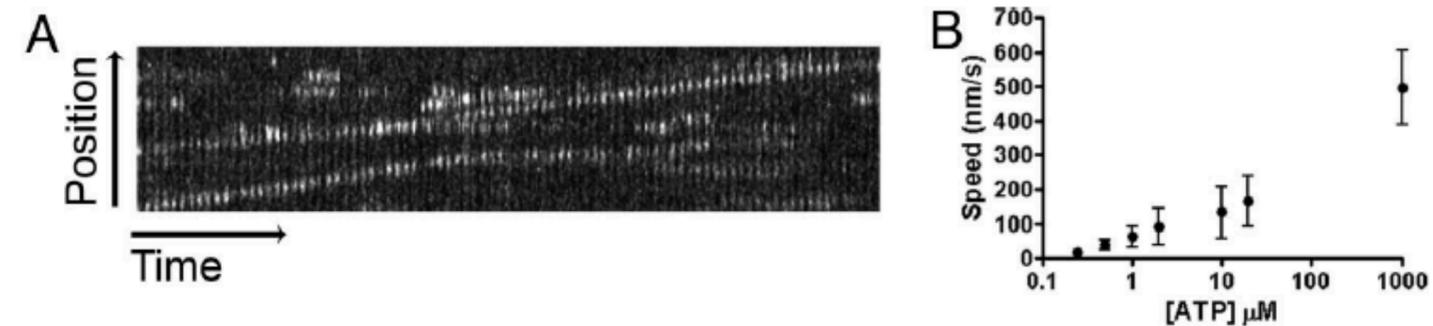
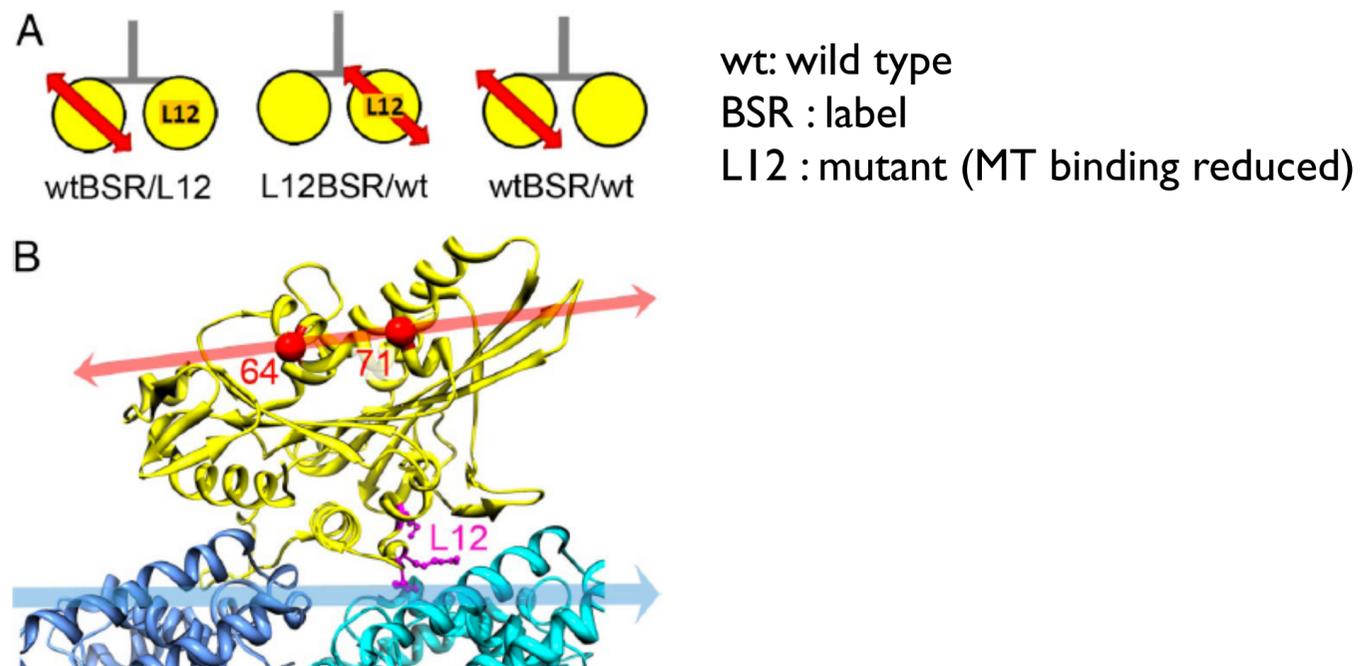


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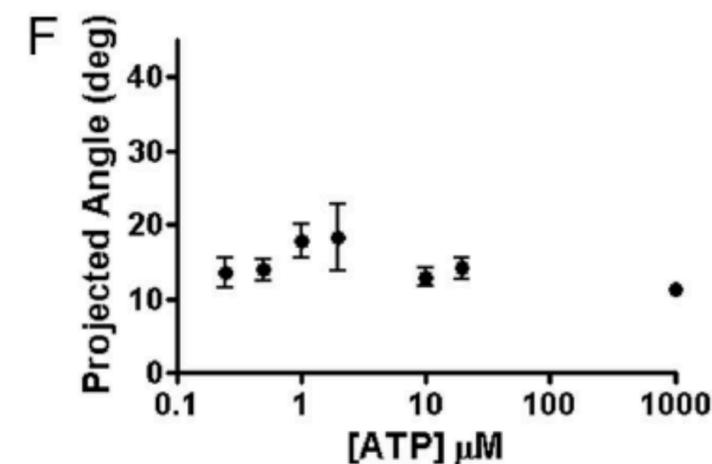
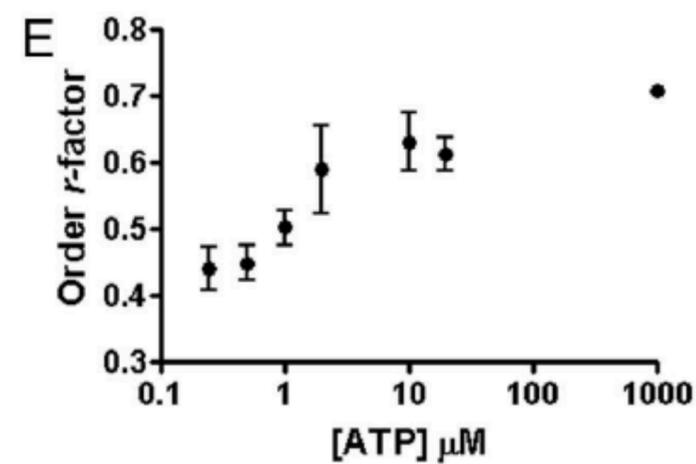
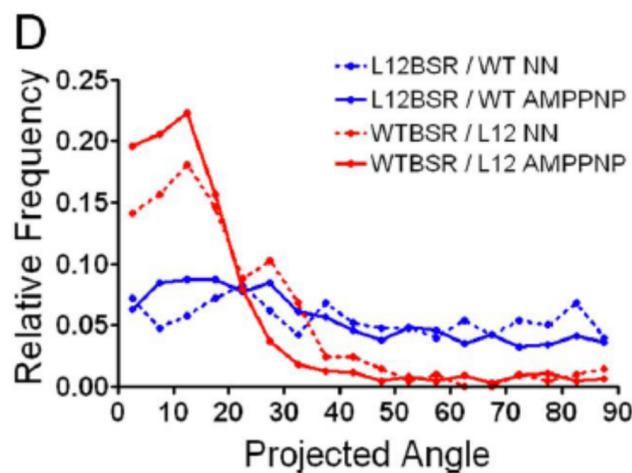
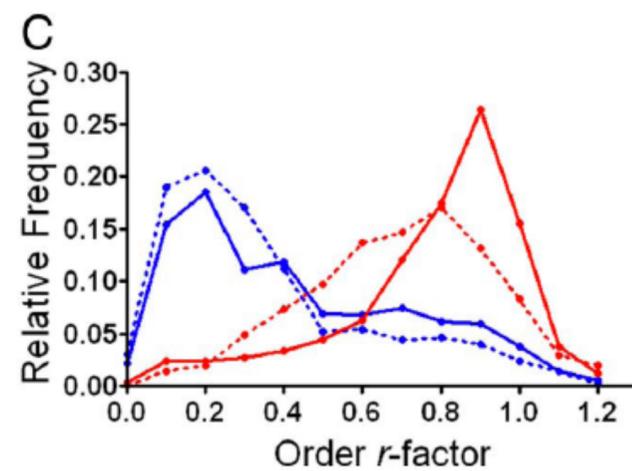
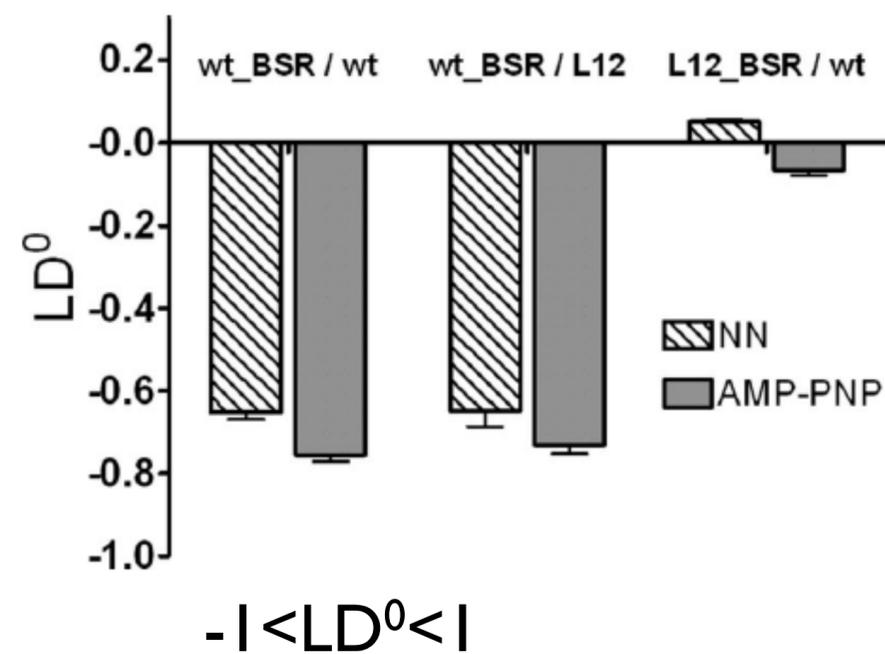


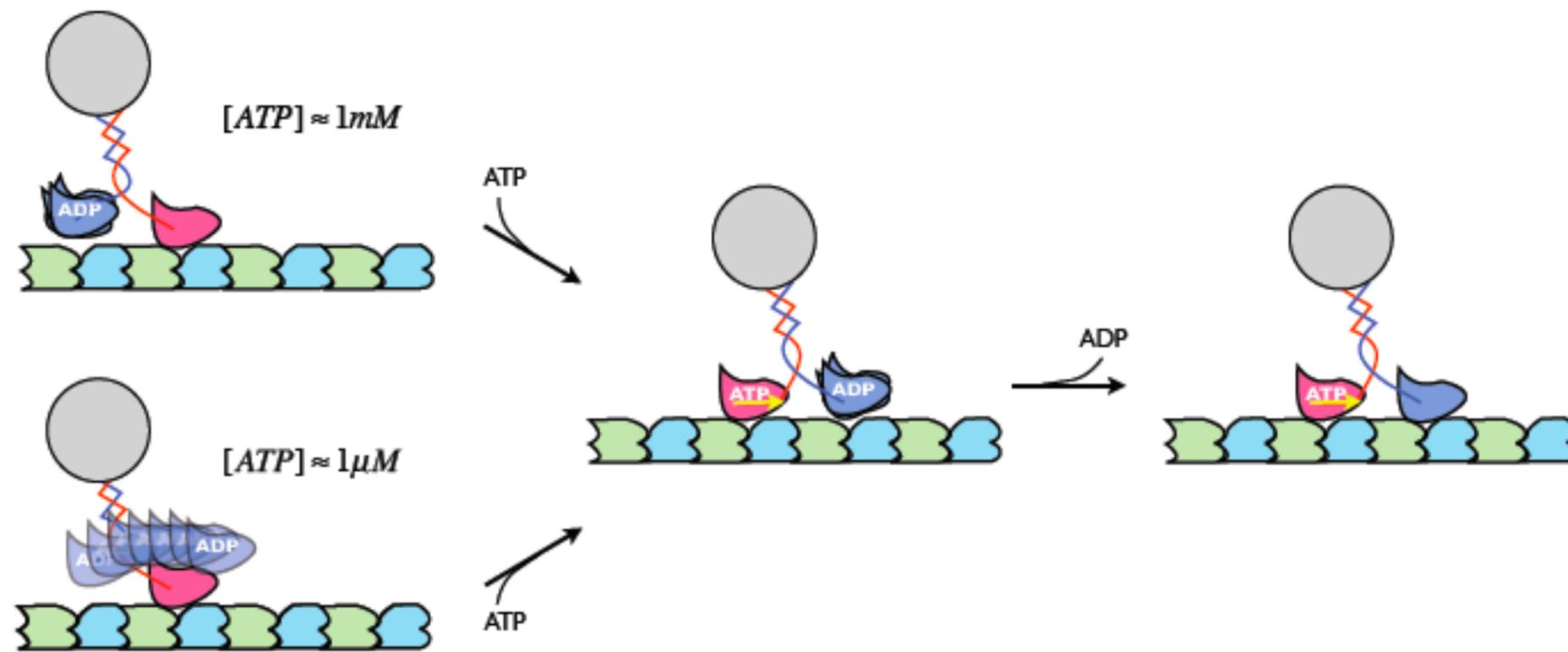
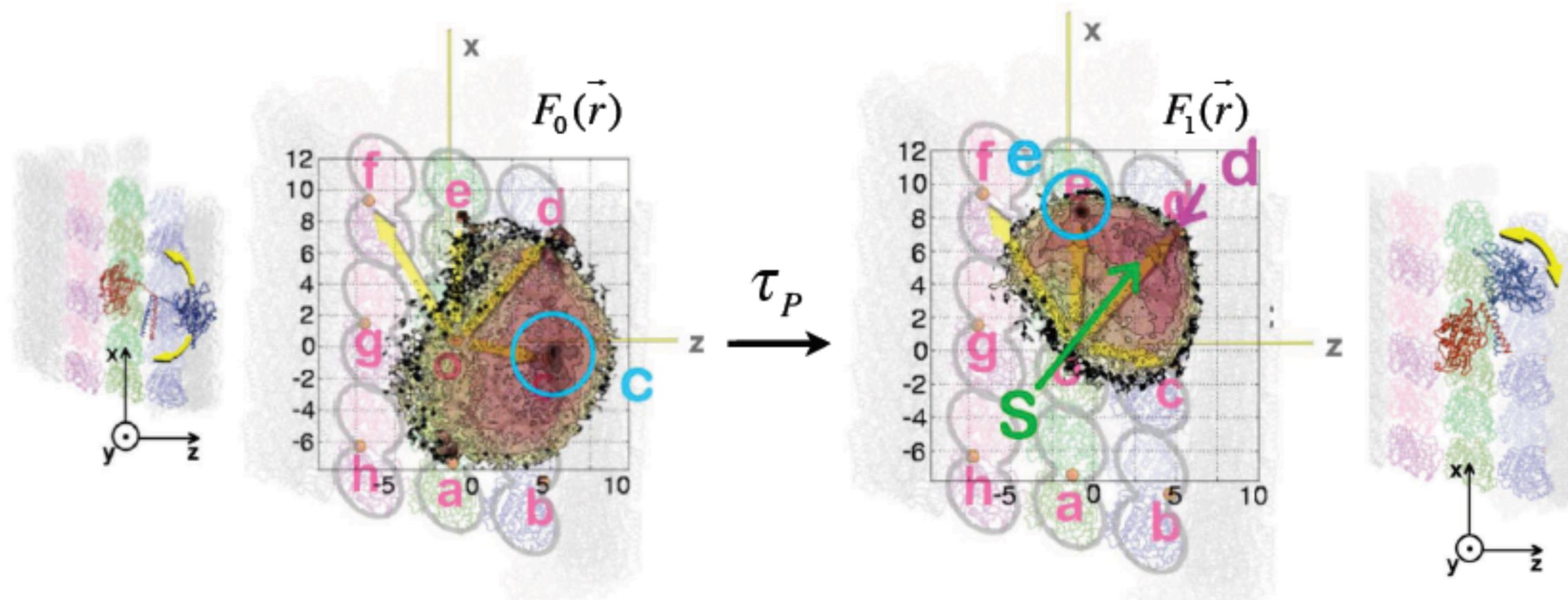
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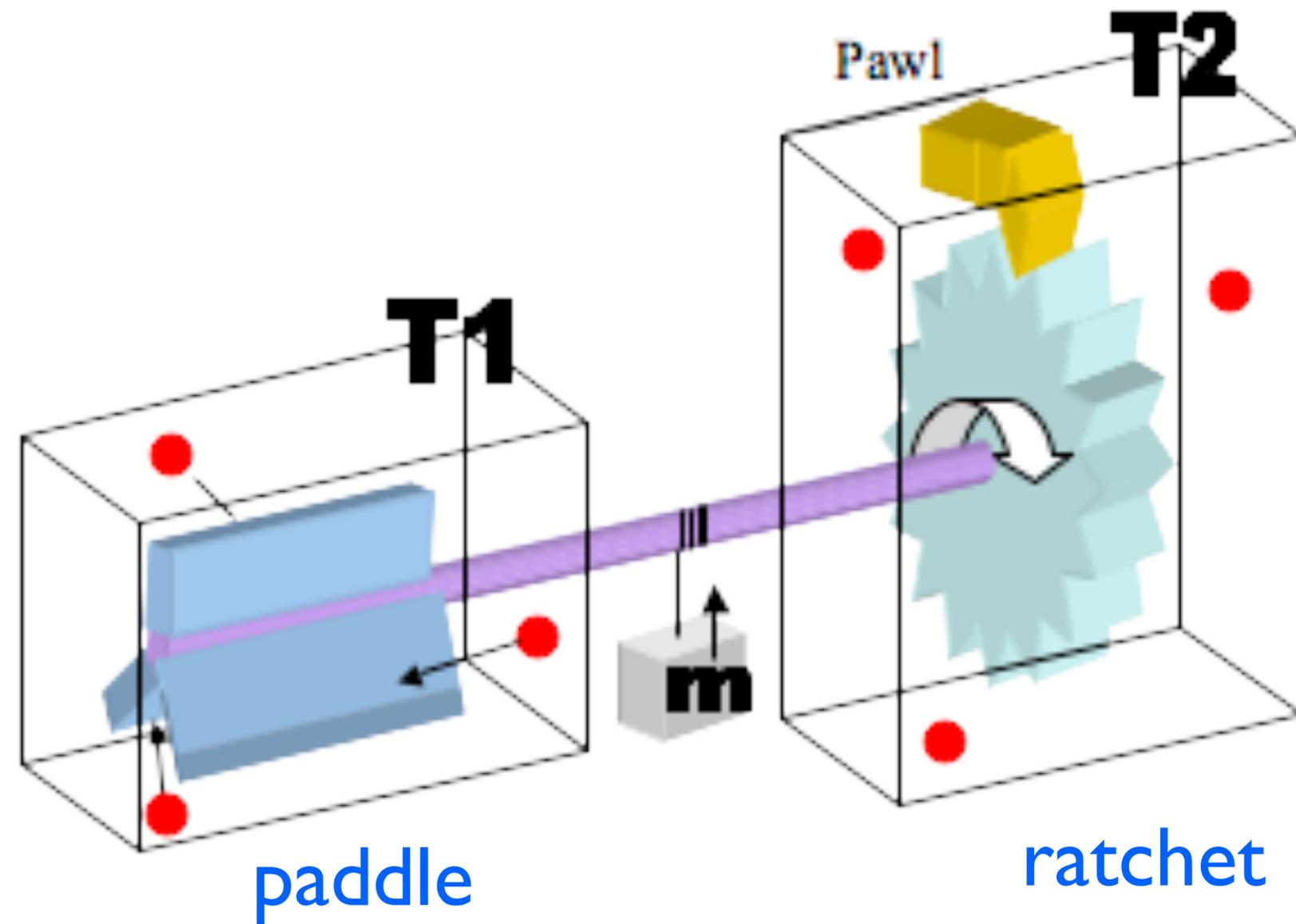


Fluorescence polarization microscope (FPM)





Q: Does kinesin move by a power stroke or by a Brownian ratchet mechanism



Athermal fluctuation can induce a unidirectional transport in spatially asymmetric potential

Shaking-Induced Transition to a Nonequilibrium State

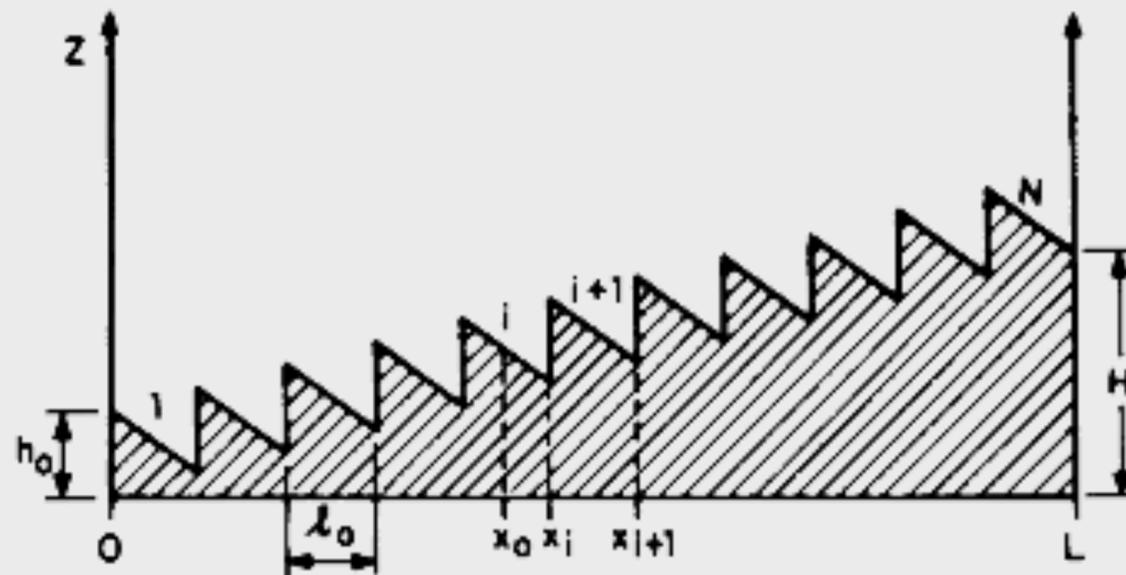


FIG. 1. Model potential is infinite at either end of, and below, ramp. Gravitational field and random force with friction ζ exist above ramp.

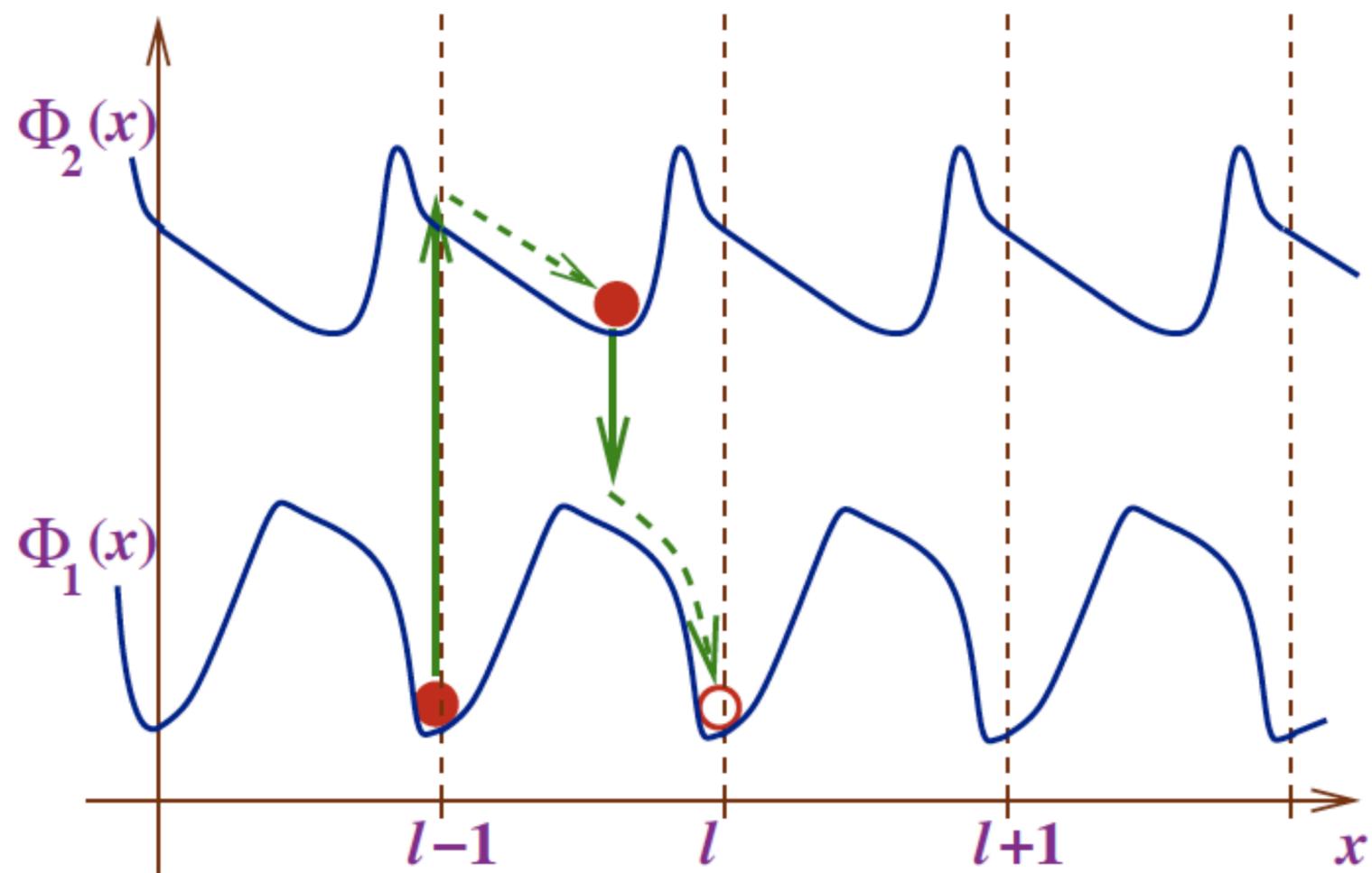
$$\rho(x, z, t) = (4\pi Dt)^{-1} \exp(-\{(x - x_0)^2 + [z - Z + (mg/\zeta)t]^2\}/4Dt),$$

$$f_i = \left(\frac{mg\Delta z_i}{kT} \right)^{1/2} \frac{h_0}{l_0} \int_0^\infty \exp \left[- \left(\frac{mg\Delta z_i}{kT} \right)^{1/2} \frac{h_0}{l_0} y \right] \operatorname{erfc}(y) dy.$$

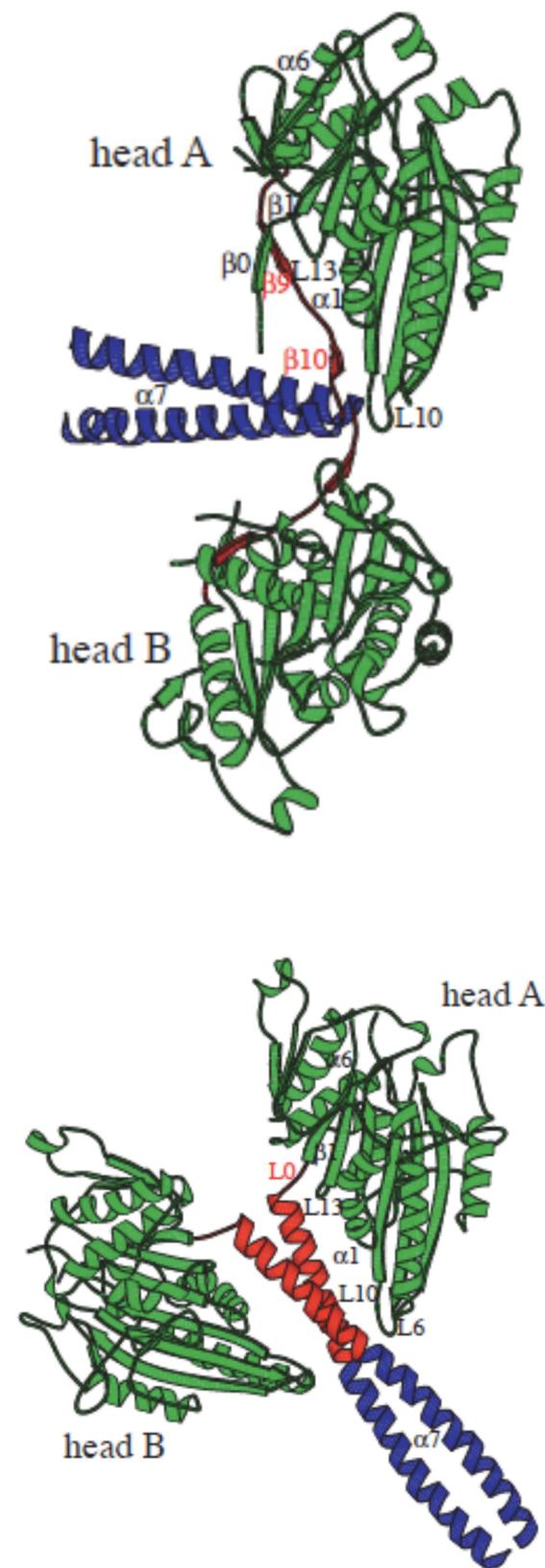
$$dp_i/dt = k_{i-1}p_{i-1} - k_i p_i, \quad 1 < i < N;$$

$$dp_1/dt = -k_1 p_1; \quad dp_N/dt = k_{N-1} p_{N-1},$$

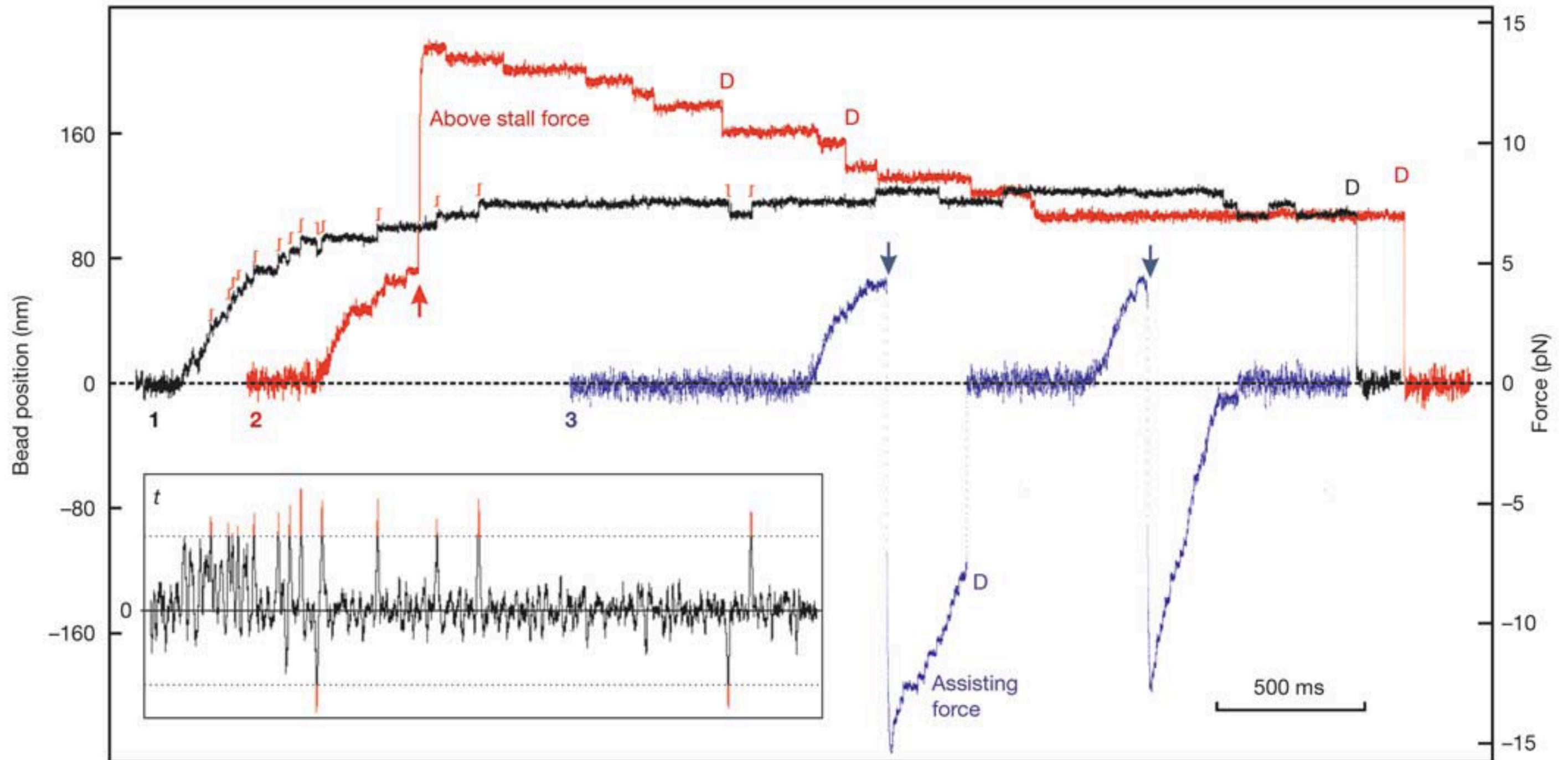
$$\text{the uphill rate constant } k_i \equiv f_i/\tau.$$

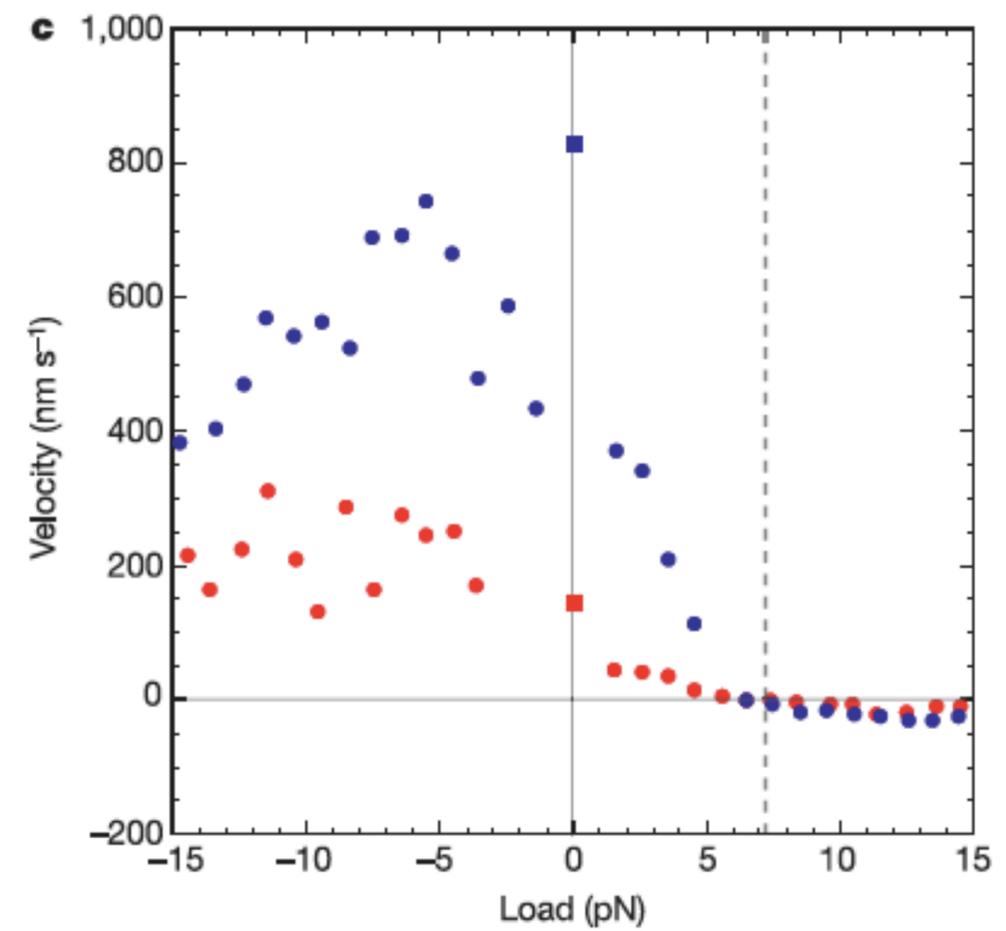
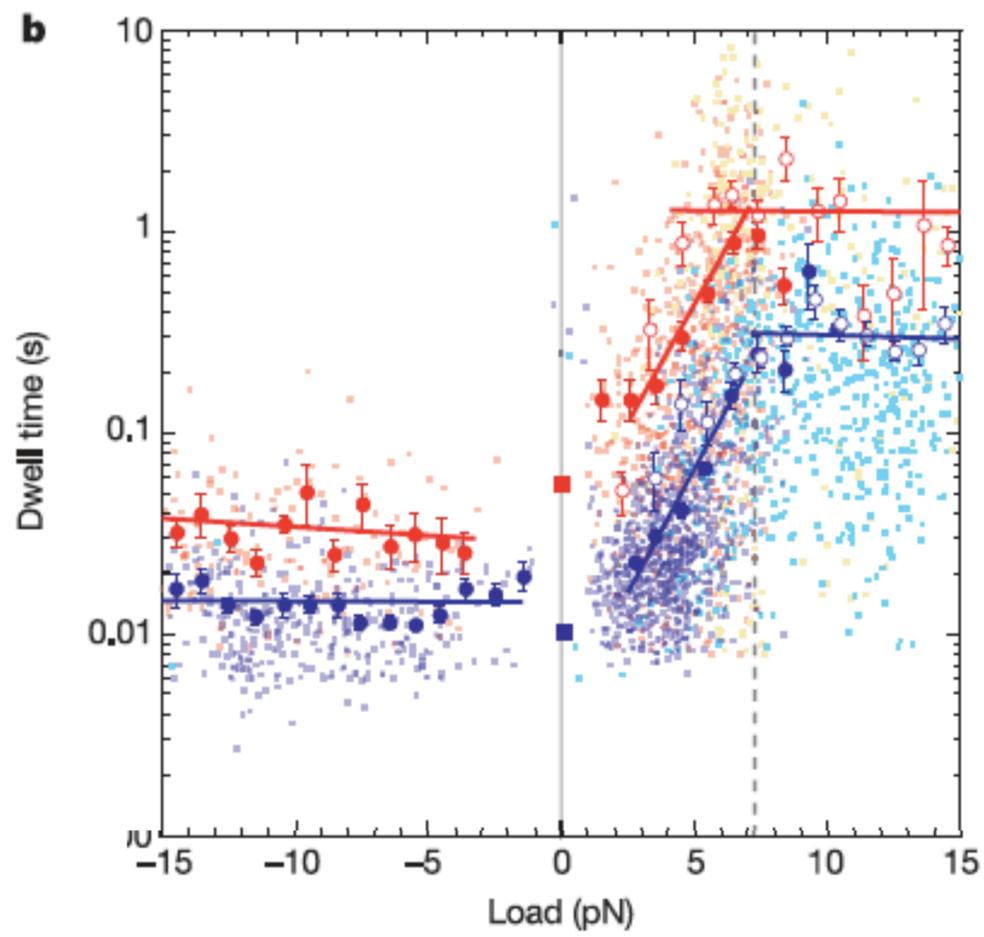
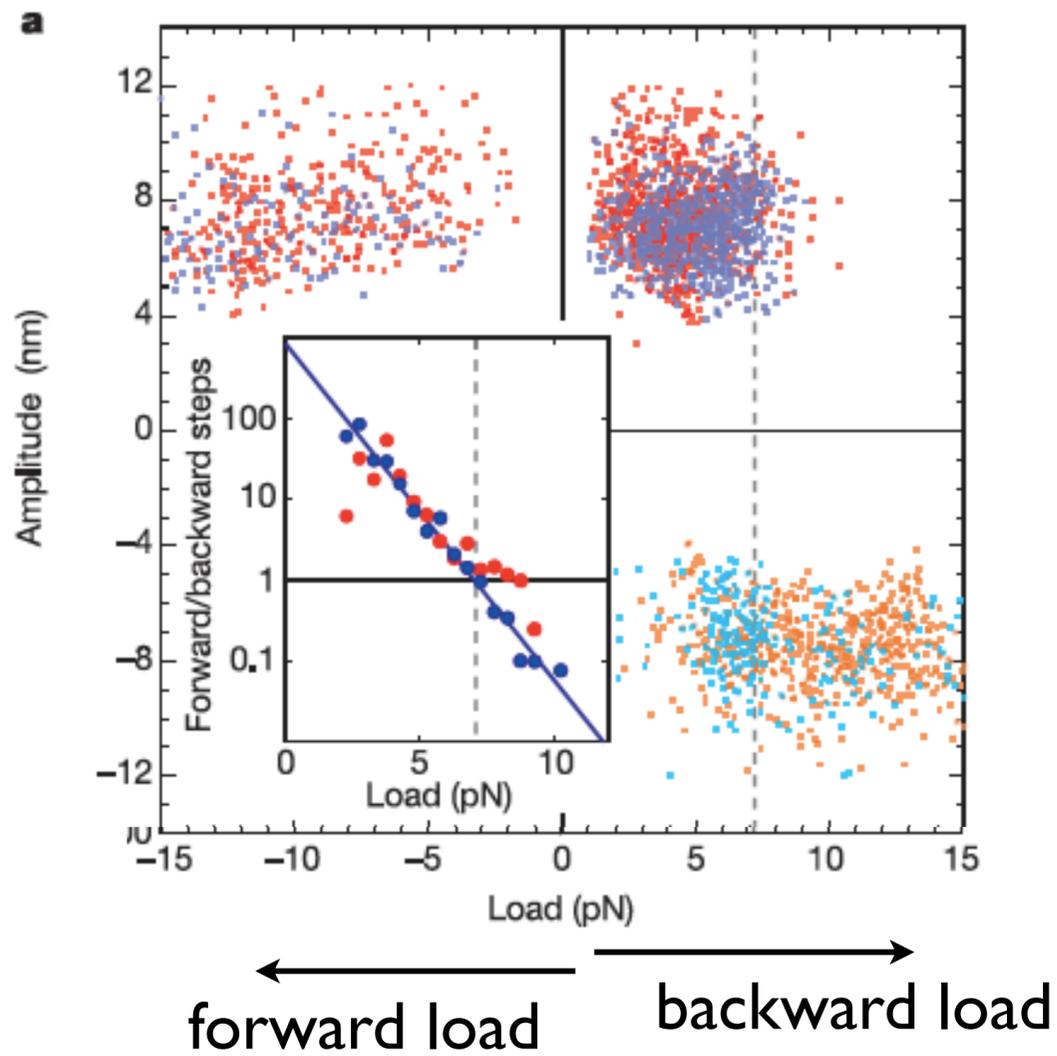


Kolomeisky & Fisher, Annu. Rev. Phys. Chem. (2007)



Q: Is the bacstepping cycle a reversal of the forward cycle, and does kinesin generate ATP under super-stall loads that force it to move backward?



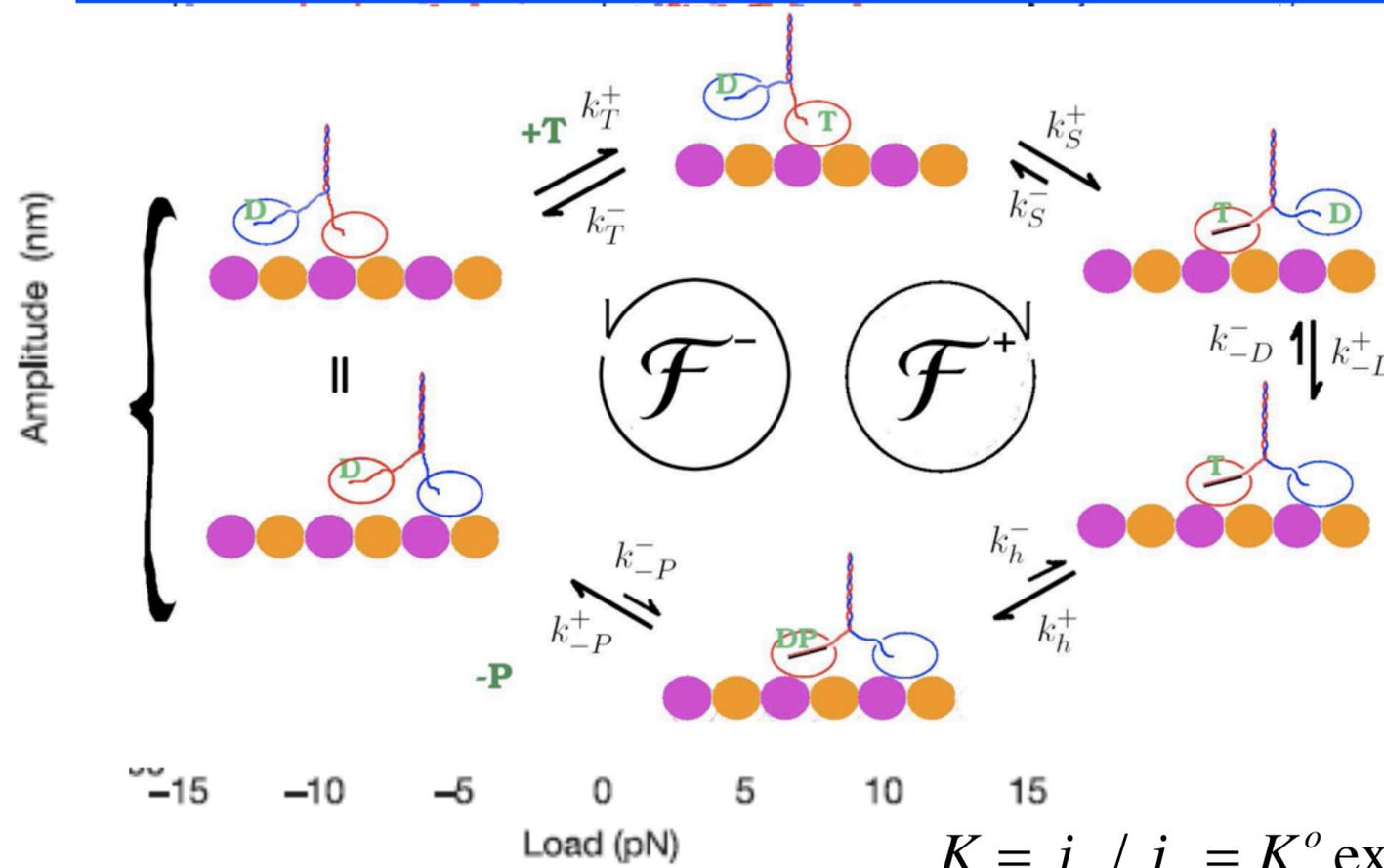
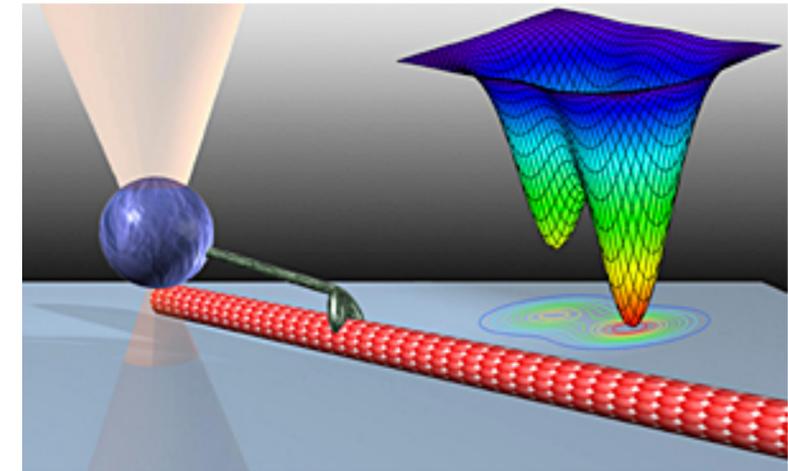
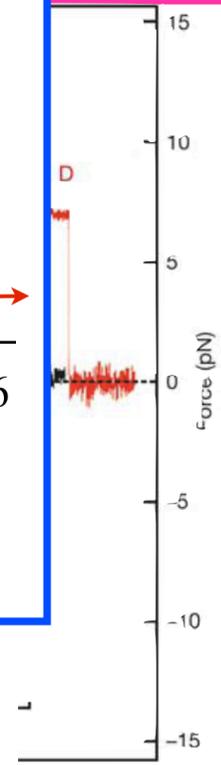
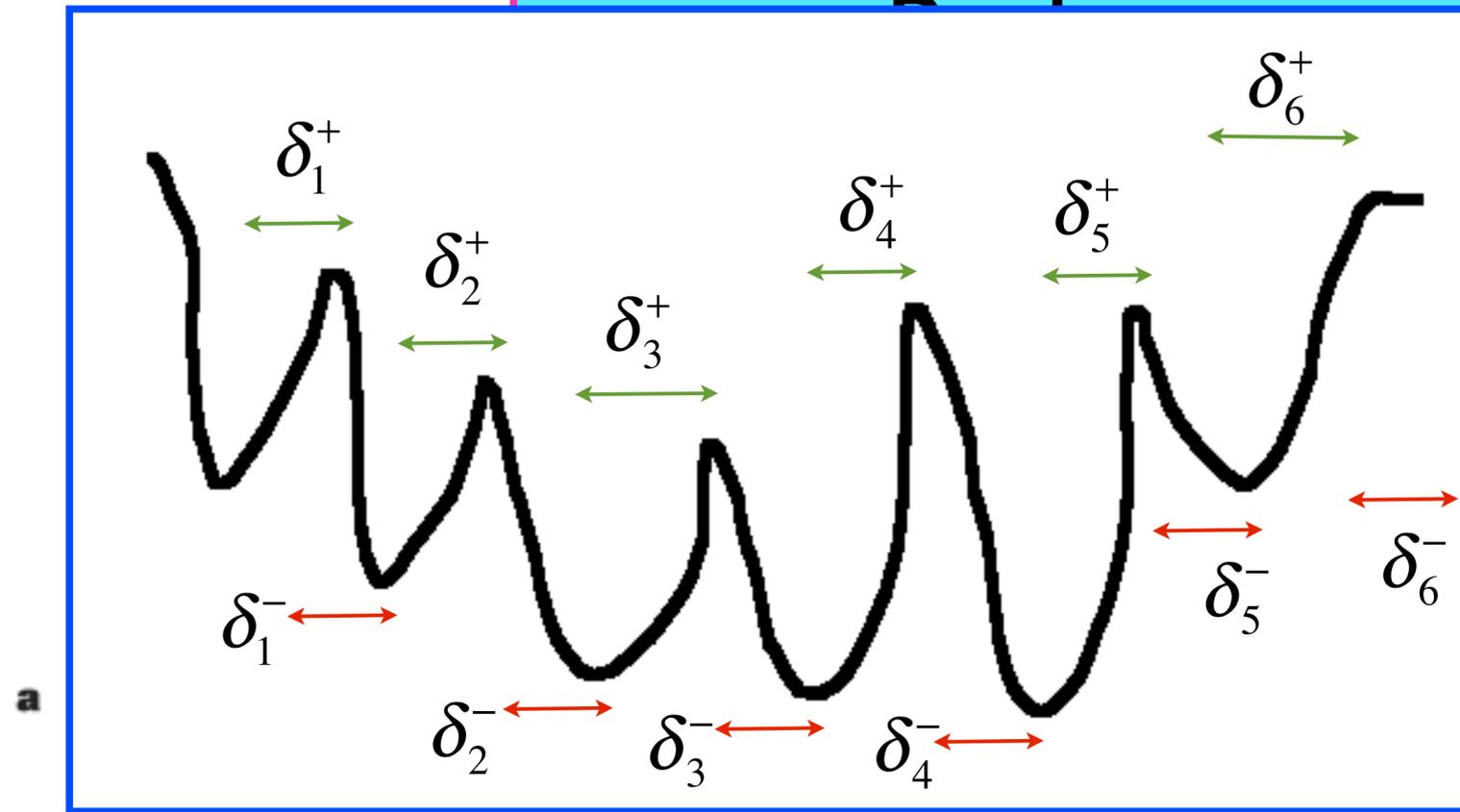


$$\frac{\textit{forward}}{\textit{backward}} = 802 \times \exp(-0.95 \times \textit{load})$$

$$\frac{k_f}{k_b} = \frac{k_f^o e^{-f \times (x_0 - x_{TS}) / k_B T}}{k_b^o e^{f \times (x_{TS} - x_{-1}) / k_B T}} = \frac{k_f^o}{k_b^o} \exp \left[-f \times \frac{(x_0 - x_{-1})}{k_B T} \right]$$

under mechanical load

T experiments (Nature 2005)



$$\sum_i \delta_i^+ + \sum_i \delta_i^- = \delta = 8 \text{ nm}$$

$$\delta \approx 4 \text{ nm}$$

$[D] = 10 \mu\text{M}$
 $[P] = 1 \text{ mM}$

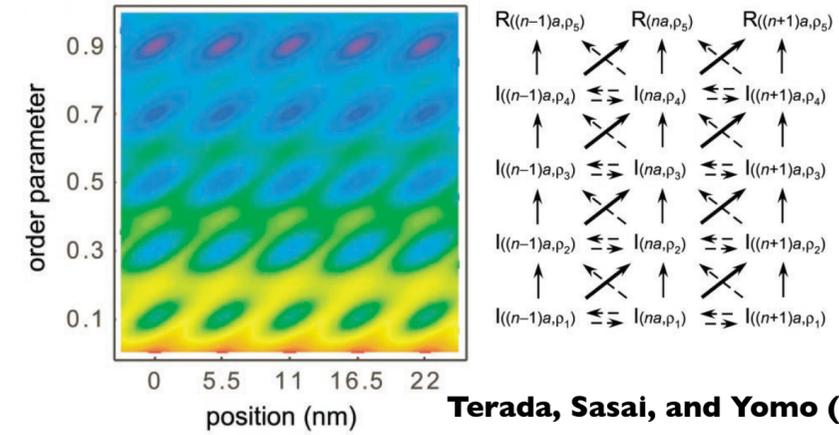
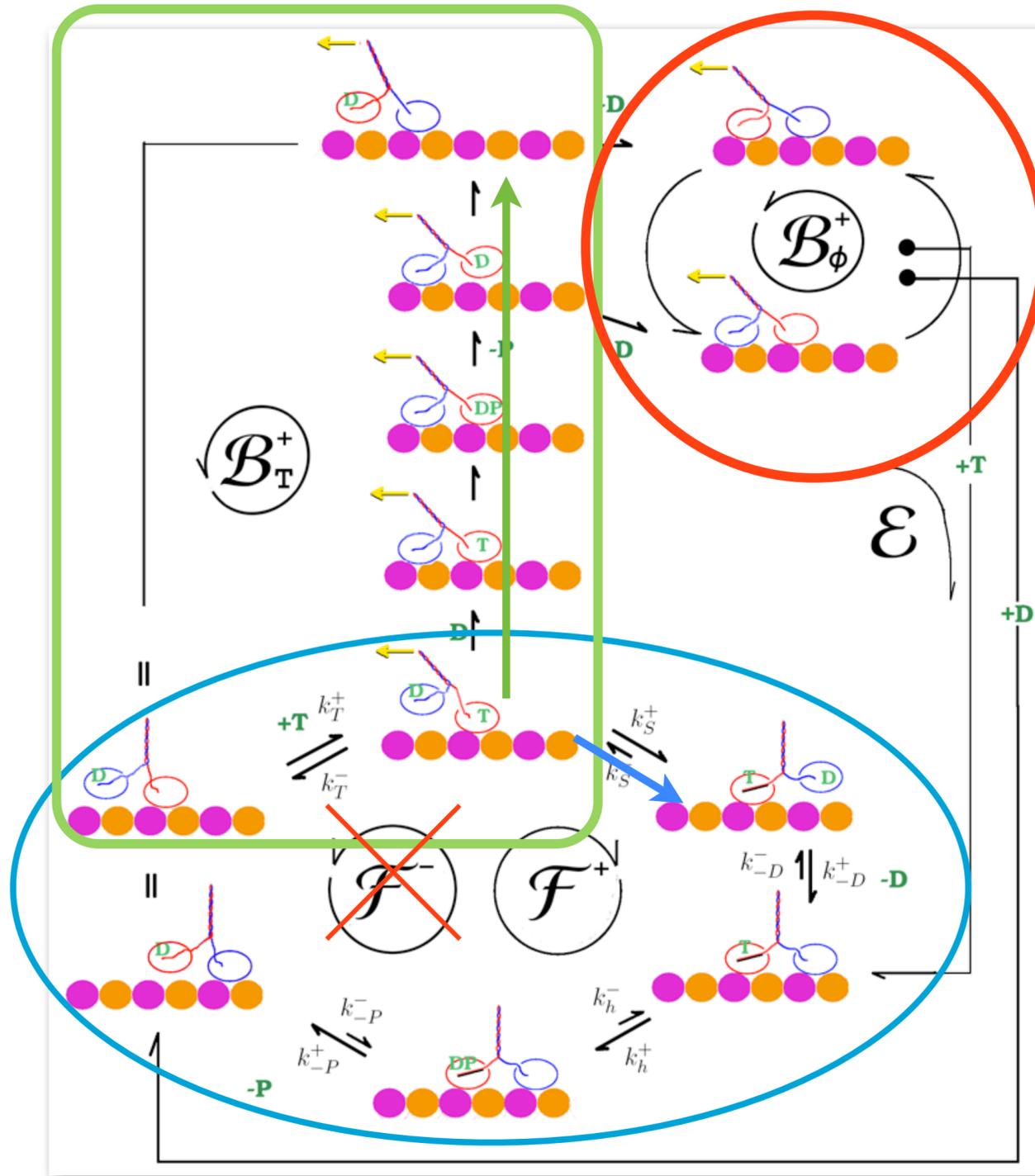
dependence of stall force
 ATP concentration !!!

$$K = j_+ / j_- = K^o \exp(-f\delta / k_B T) = \left(K_{eq} \frac{[T]}{[D][P]} \right) \exp(-f\delta / k_B T)$$

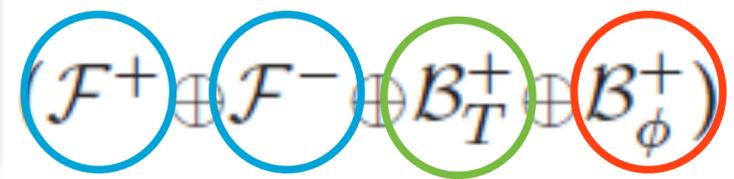
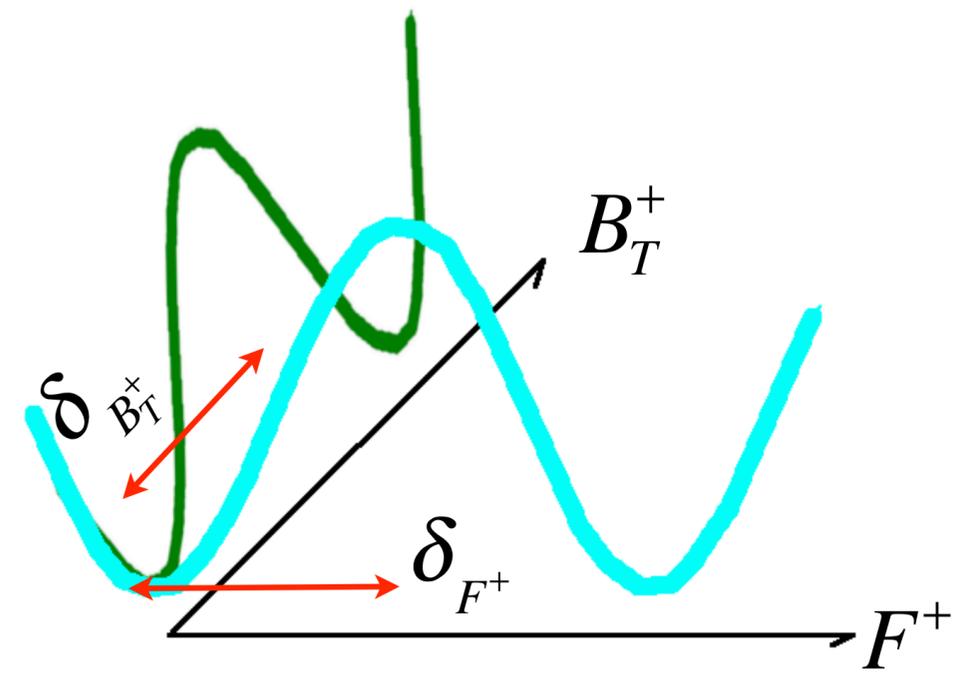
$K=1$ (at stall condition)

Multi-cycle model accounts for the backstep dynamics of kinesin motors

Hyeon, Klumpp & Onuchic (2009) *Phys. Chem. Chem. Phys.* 11:4899



Terada, Sasai, and Yomo (2006) PNAS



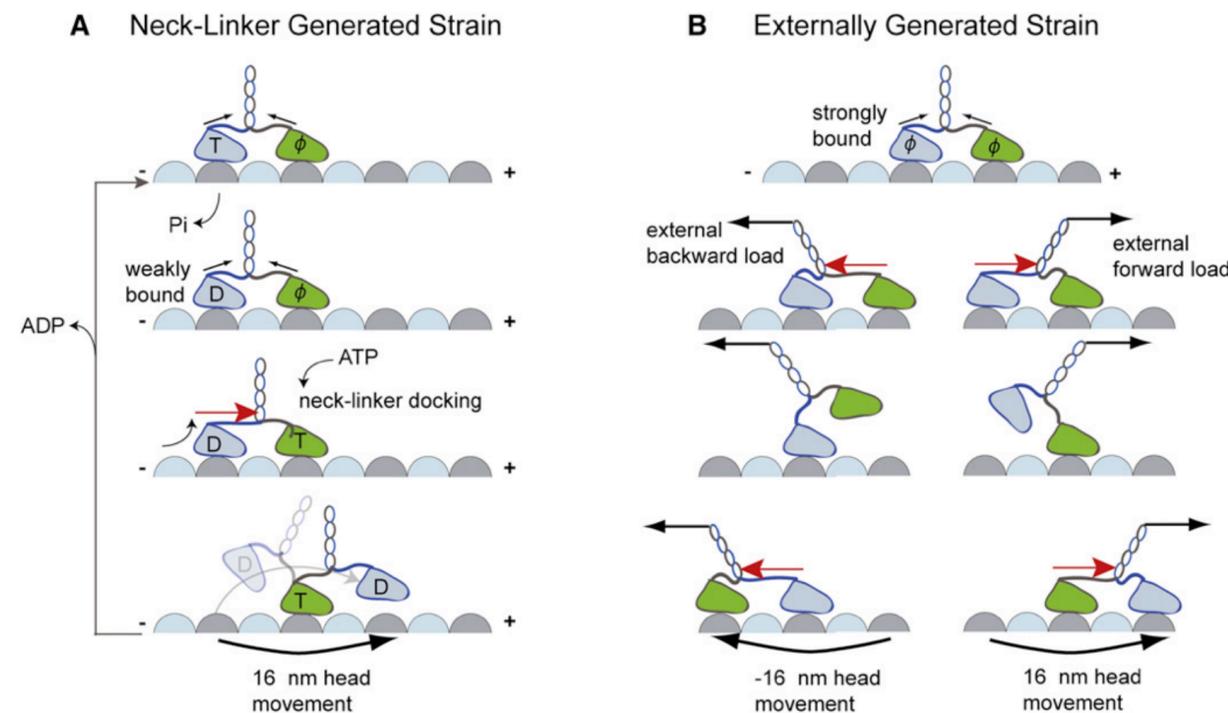
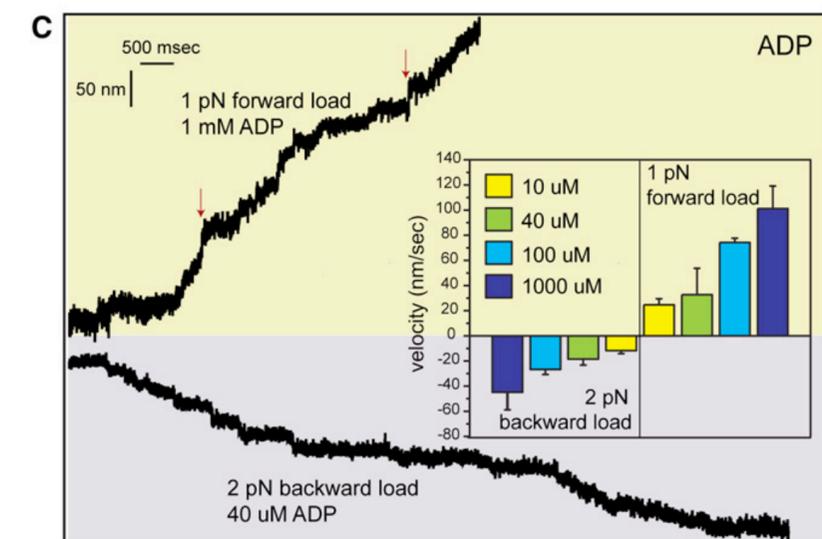
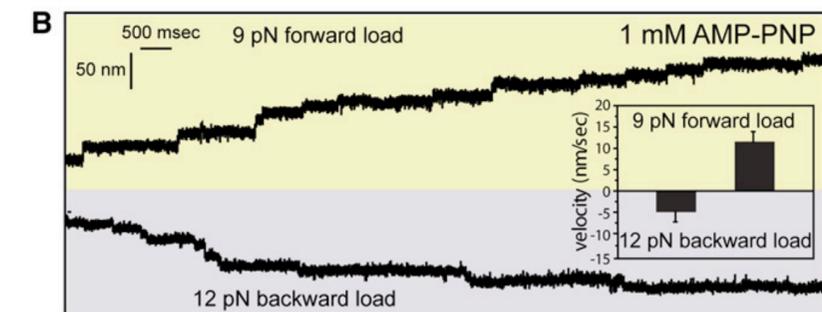
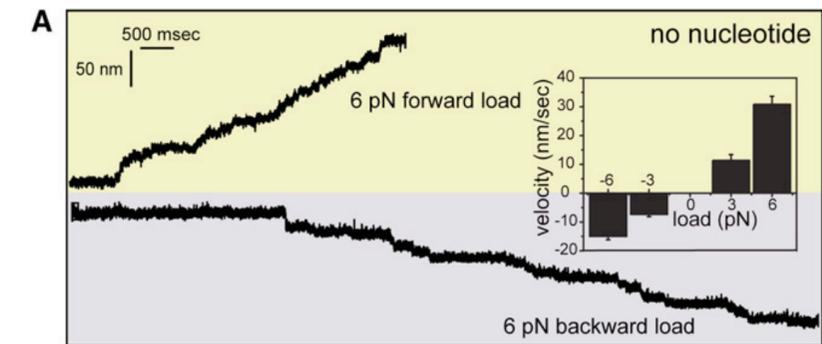
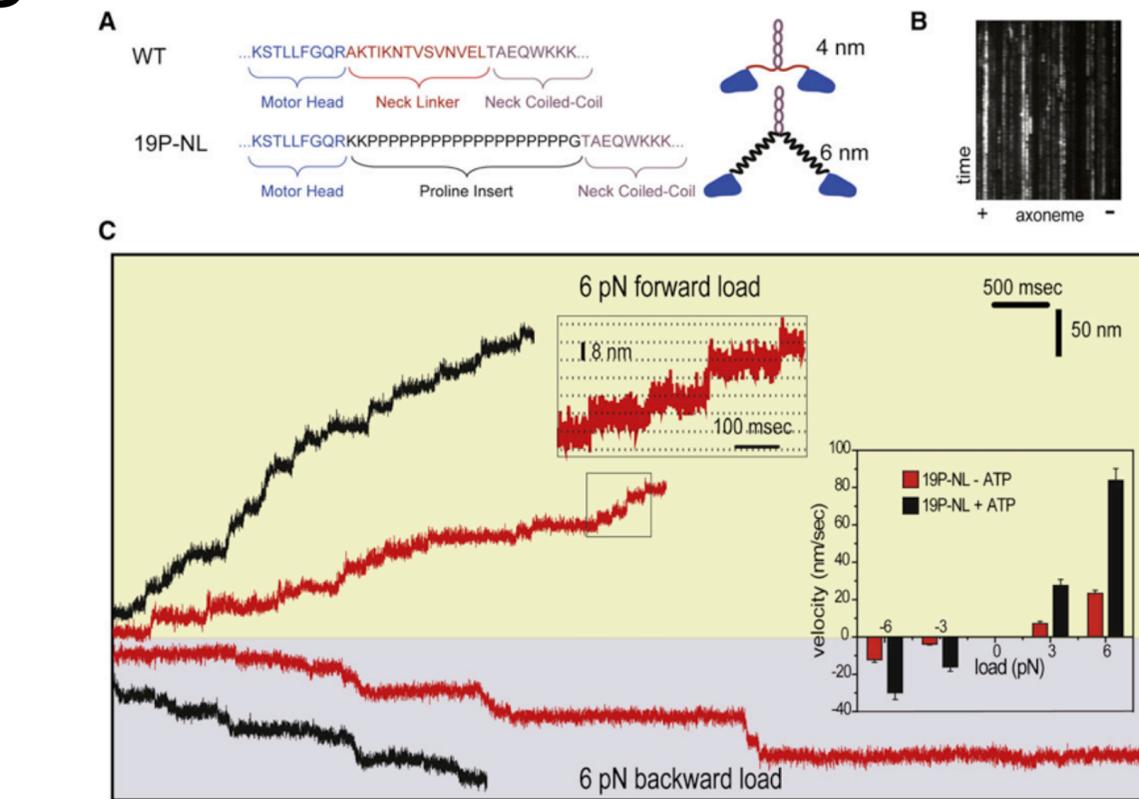
Vale and coworkers (2008) Cell

$$K_{\mathcal{F}^+ \oplus \mathcal{B}_T^+}(f) = \frac{j_+}{j_-} = \frac{k_S^+}{k_{B_T^+}^{eff}} \exp\left(-\frac{f(\delta_{\mathcal{F}^+} + \delta_{\mathcal{B}_T^+})}{k_B T}\right)$$

$$K_{eq}^o \equiv k_S^+ / k_{B_T^+}^{eff}$$

$$f_{stall} = k_B T / (\delta_{\mathcal{F}^+} + \delta_{\mathcal{B}_T^+}) \times \log(k_S^+ / k_{B_T^+}^{eff})$$

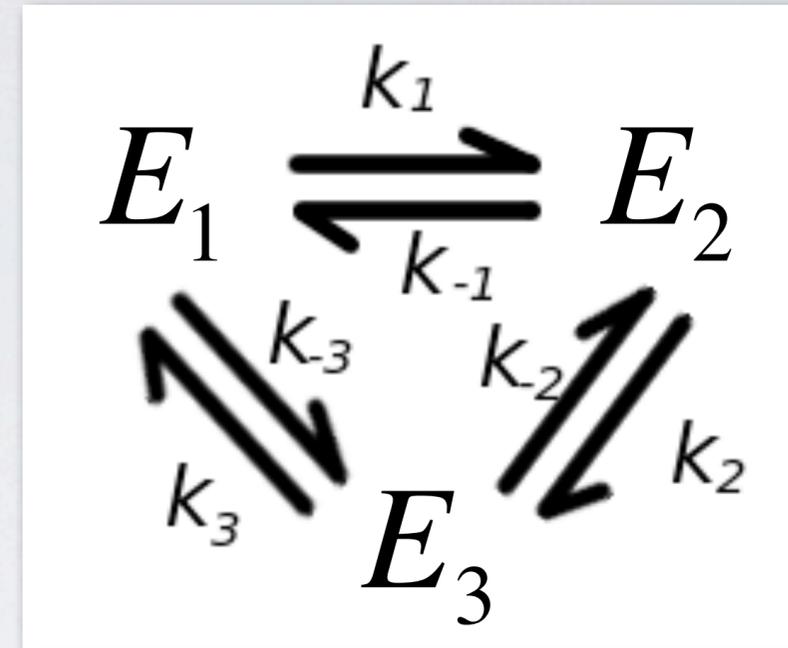
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Vale & coworkers,
Cell (2008) Vol 134, 1030-1041

KINETICS OF MOTOR PROTEINS

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dP_{E_1}}{dt} &= -(k_1^+ + k_3^-)P_{E_1} + k_1^-P_{E_2} + k_3^+P_{E_3} \\ \frac{dP_{E_2}}{dt} &= -(k_2^+ + k_1^-)P_{E_2} + k_2^-P_{E_3} + k_1^+P_{E_1} \\ \frac{dP_{E_3}}{dt} &= -(k_3^+ + k_2^-)P_{E_3} + k_3^-P_{E_1} + k_2^+P_{E_2} \\ P_{E_1} + P_{E_2} + P_{E_3} &= 1 \end{aligned}$$



$$V_3 \equiv k_i^+ P_{E_i}^{ss} - k_i^- P_{E_{i+1}}^{ss} \quad j_+ \quad j_-$$

$$= \frac{k_1^+ k_2^+ k_3^+ - k_1^- k_2^- k_3^-}{k_1^+ k_2^+ + k_2^+ k_3^+ + k_3^+ k_1^+ + k_1^- k_2^- + k_2^- k_3^- + k_3^- k_1^- + k_1^- k_3^+ + k_1^+ k_2^- + k_2^+ k_3^-}$$

$$j(= V/\delta) = j_+ - j_-$$

$j = 0 \Rightarrow$ **Equilibrium**

$j \neq 0 \Rightarrow$ **Nonequilibrium Steady State**

$$k_1^+ \rightarrow k_T^+[T]$$

$$k_2^- \rightarrow k_{-P}^-[P]$$

$$k_3^- \rightarrow k_{-D}^-[D]$$

$$V = \delta \frac{\prod_{i=1}^3 k_i^+[T] - \prod_{i=1}^3 k_i^-[D][P]}{\sum(\{k_i^\pm\})}$$

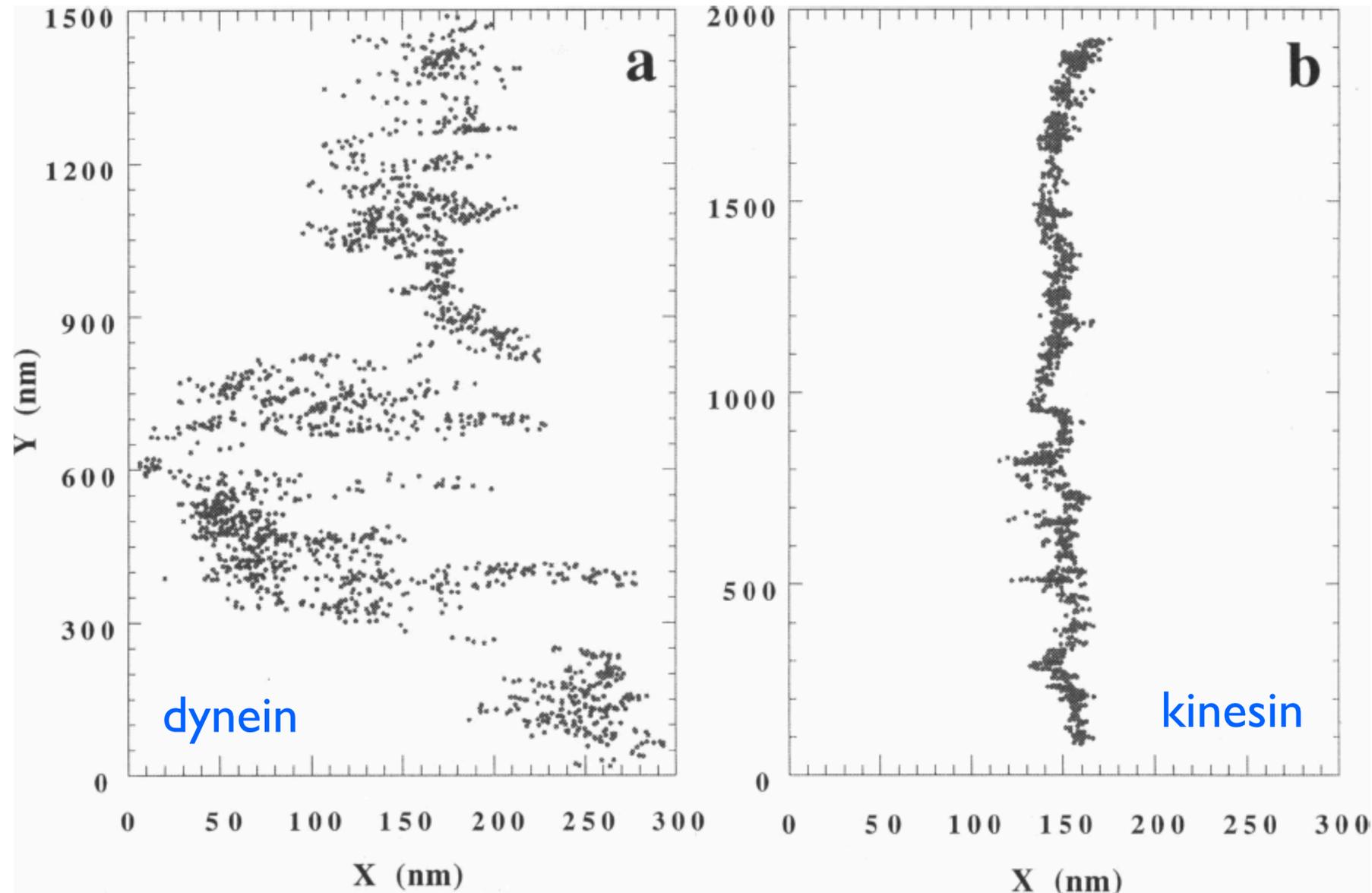
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$$k_i^+ \rightarrow k_i^+ \exp(-f\delta_i / k_B T)$$

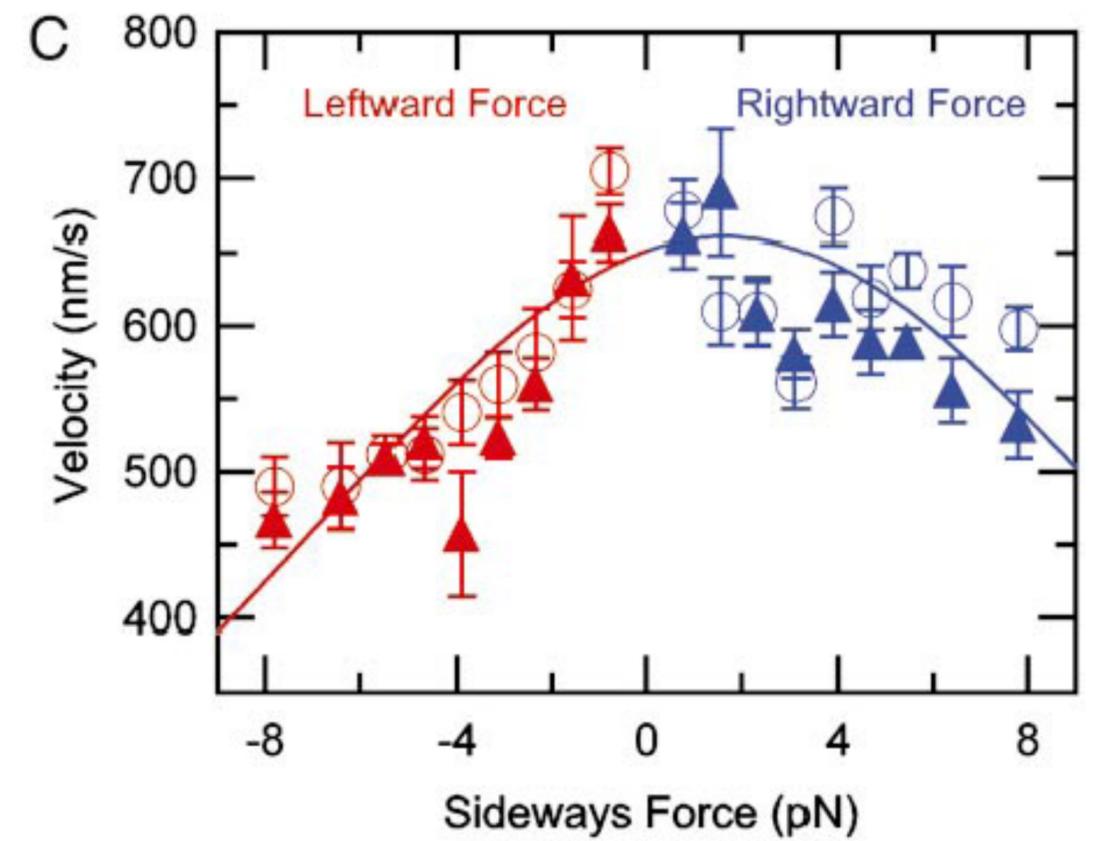
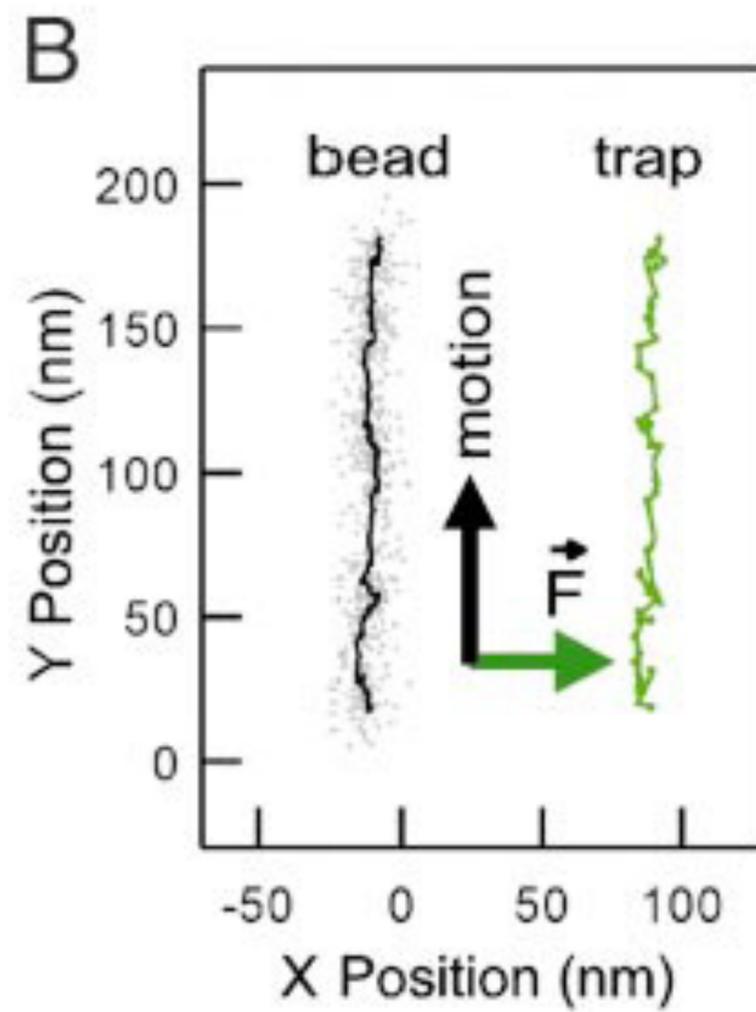
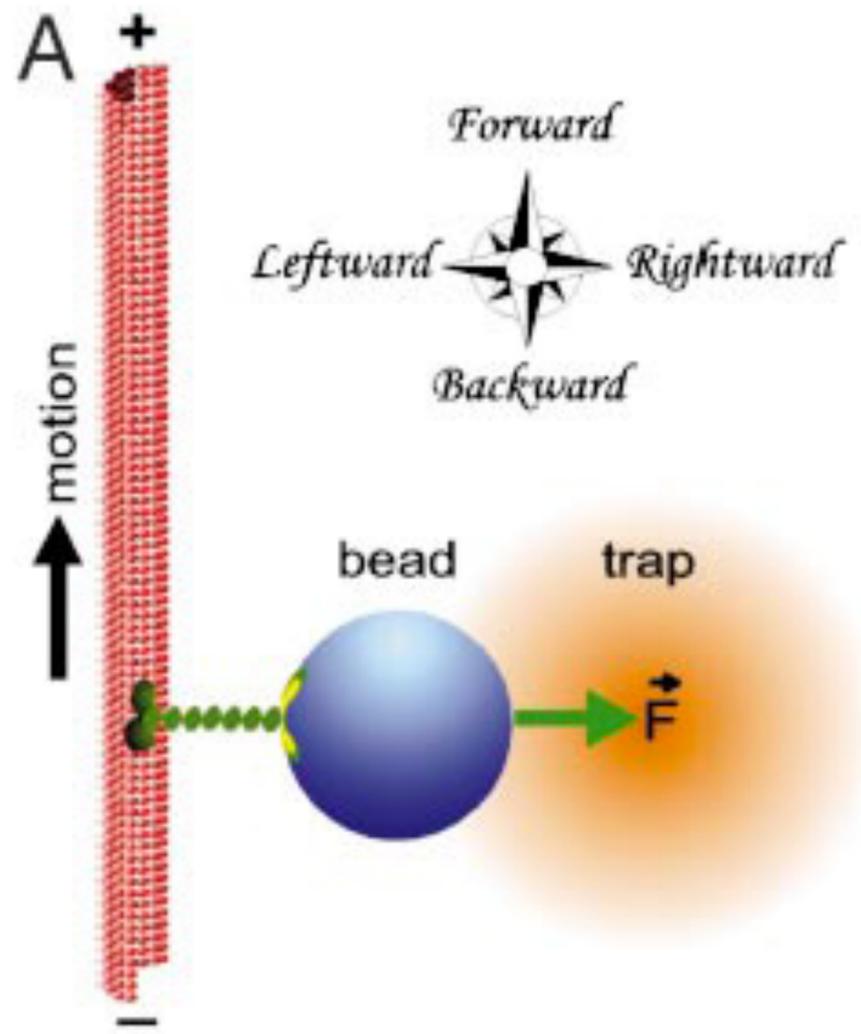
$$k_i^- \rightarrow k_i^- \exp(+f\delta_i / k_B T)$$

in the presence of backward load

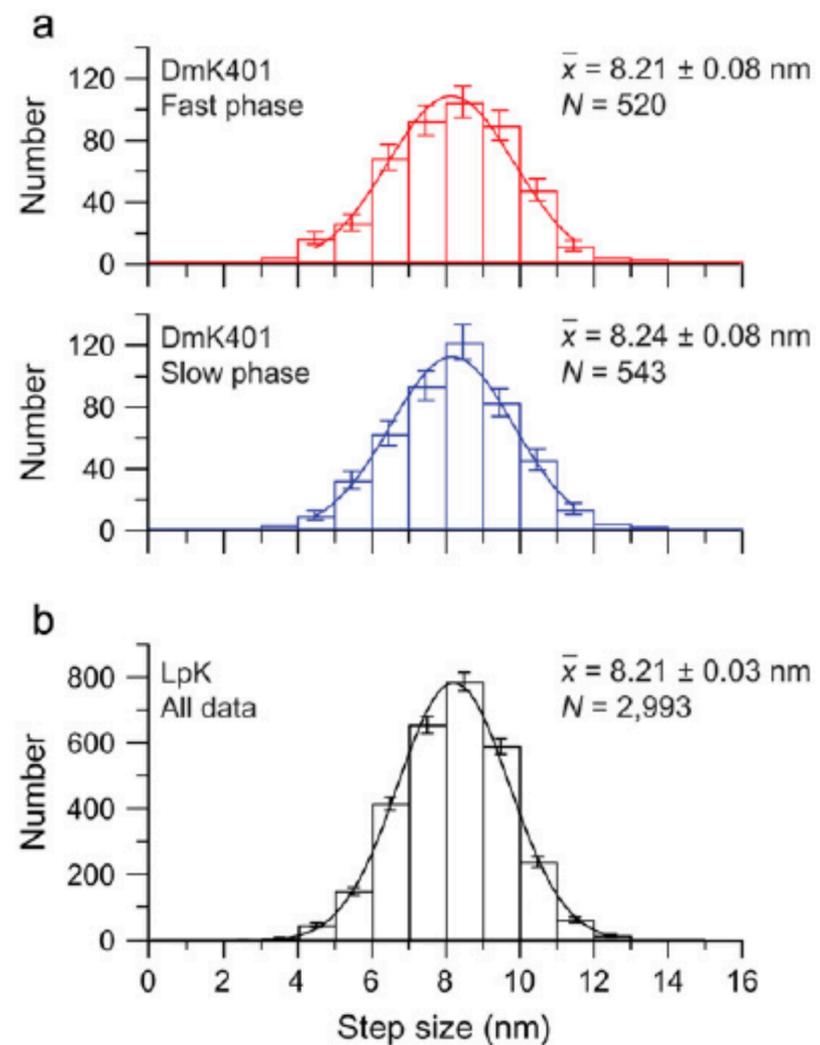
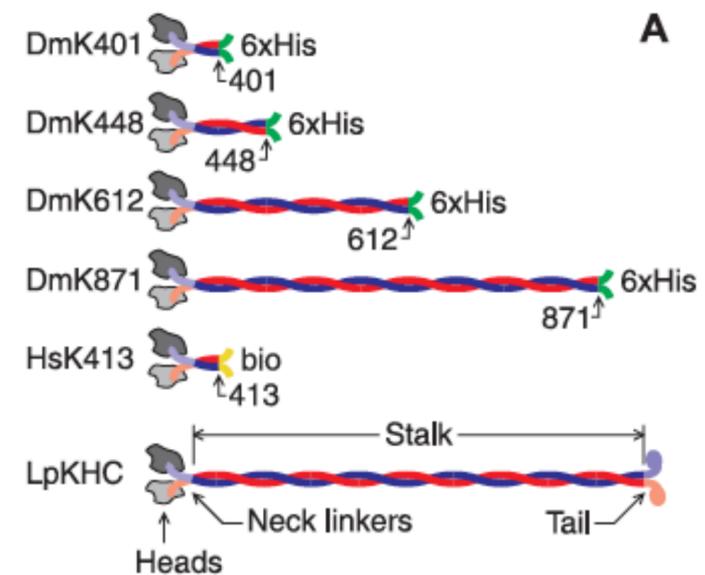
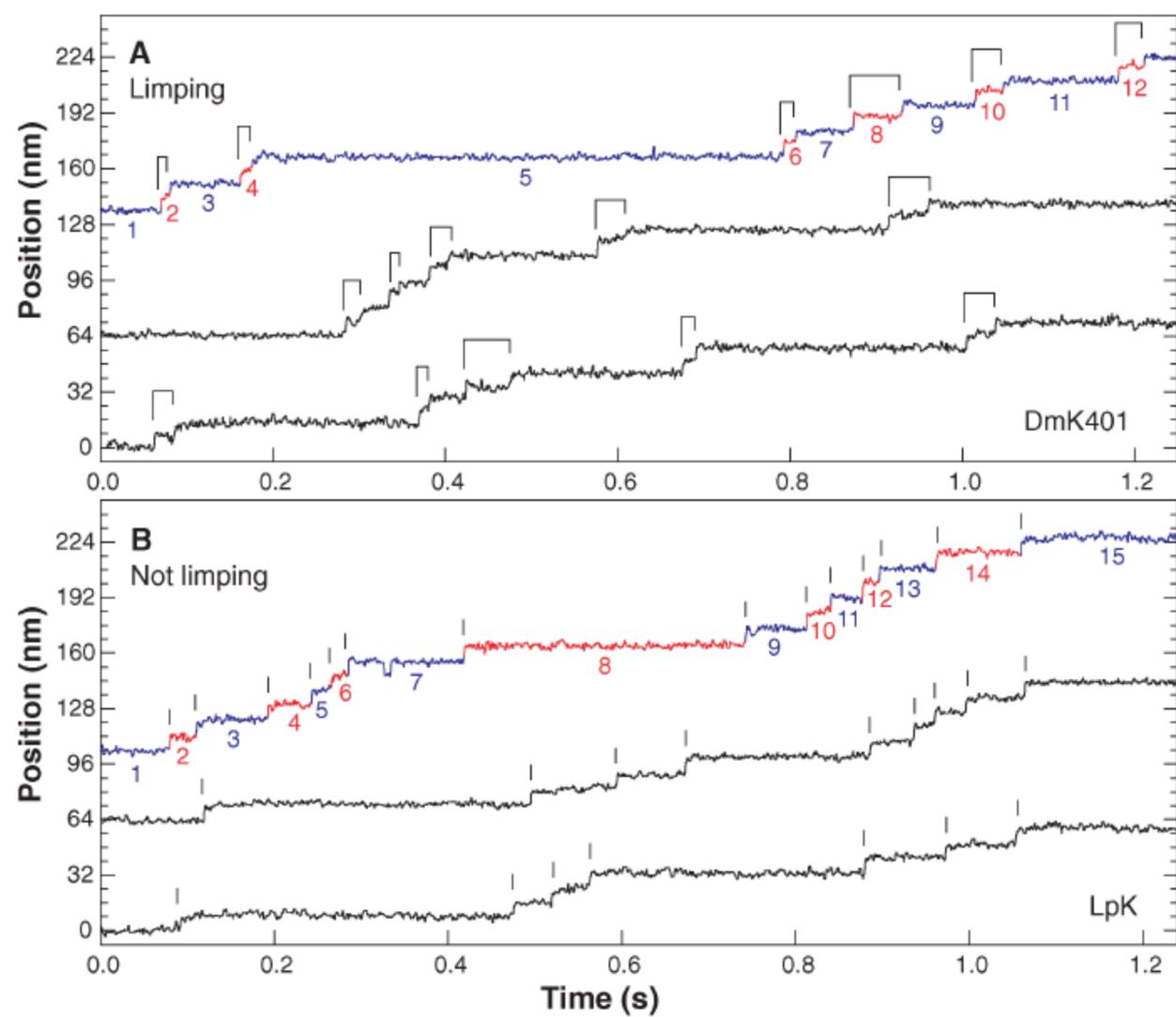
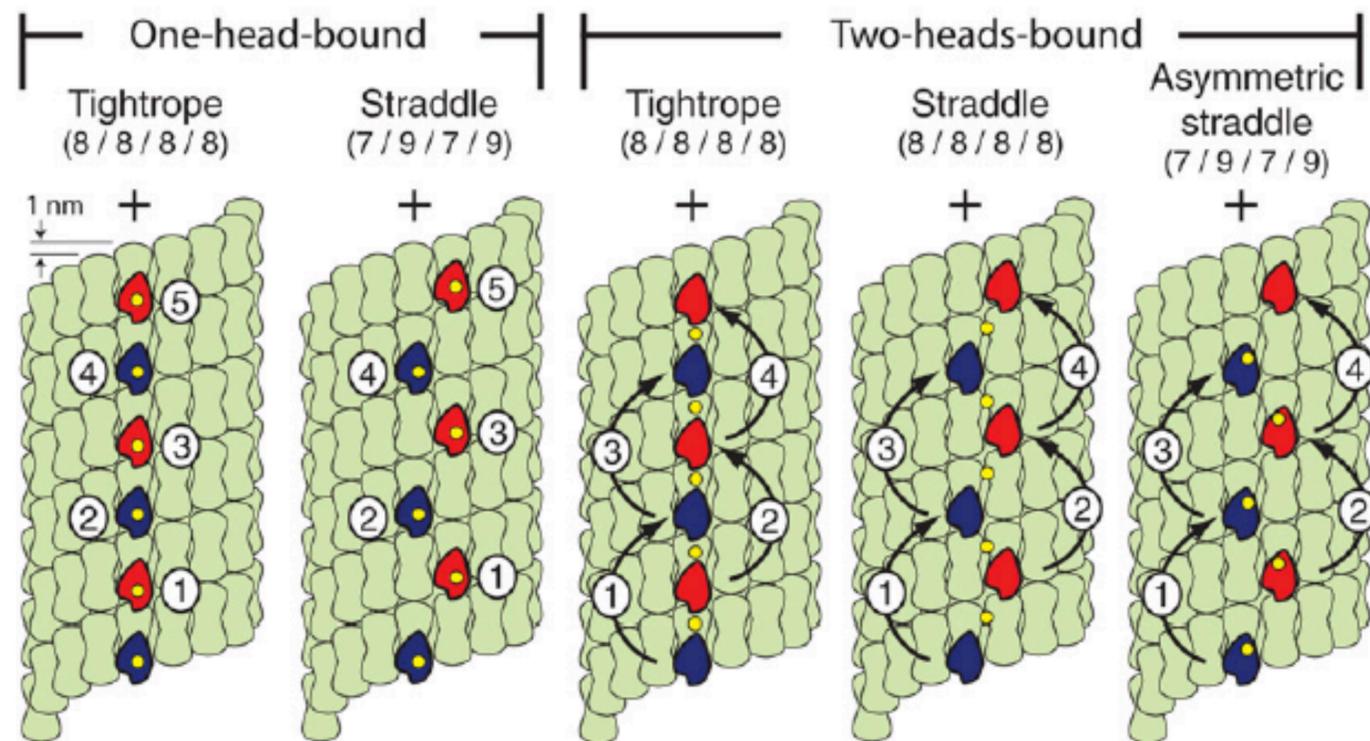
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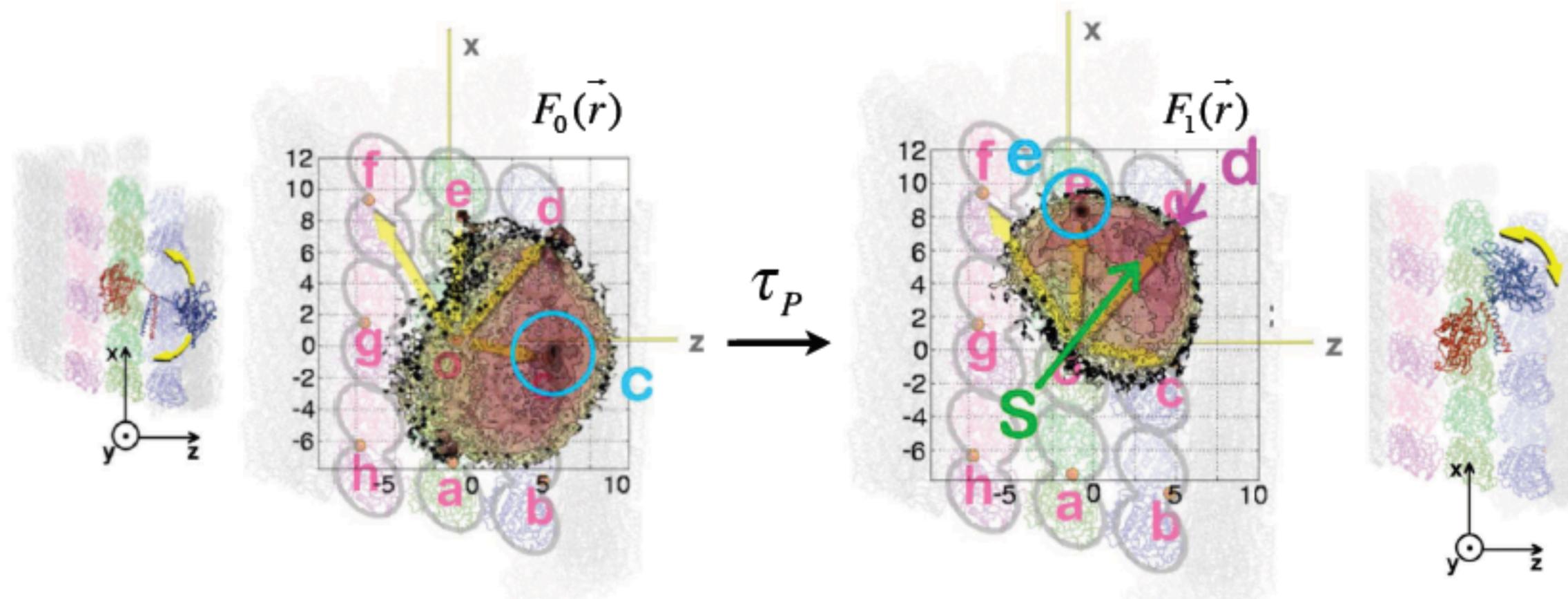


MP Sheetz and coworkers Biophys. J. (1995) 69:2011-2023



Block et al. PNAS (2003) 100:2351--2356





Questions from Biophys. J. (2007) 92: 2986-2995

- Does kinesin take **substeps**? If so, over what time and distance scales?
- What's the kinesin **walking pattern**, and what do we learn about its mechanics from this? (sym HoH, asym HoH, inchworm)
- How do the two kinesin heads manage to stay out of phase with one another during the stepping cycle (i.e., how are they "**gated**")?
- Where in the kinesin **biochemical pathway** is forward motion produced?
- Is the **backstepping** cycle a reversal of the forward cycle, and does kinesin generate ATP under super-stall loads that force it to move backward?

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- Conversely, when kinesin is sped up by an **assisting force**, is it going through its normal biochemical cycle or by some other pathway ?
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- Is the **head-neck linker docking model** correct (and does it suffice to explain actual stepping)? Does kinesin undertake a conformational “power stroke”, or something like it (and if so, how large is it)?
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